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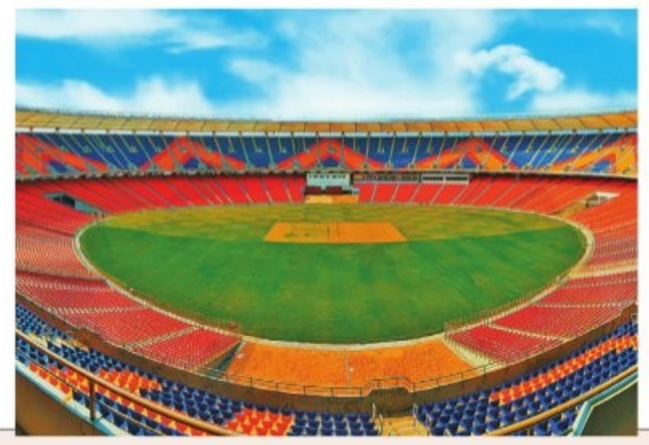

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ENGLAND SERIES ON: TESTS TO BE HELD IN CHEPAUK, MOTERA

BCCI releases itinerary. Chennai and Ahmedabad to host two five-day matches each, with Pune hosting ODI leg

5 T20Is, PINK-BALL MATCH IN AHMEDABAD

New stadium to host day-night Test apart from all five T20Is at the culmination of Test series. Pune will play host to all three ODIs as board limits venues to three since tour is being held in a bio-bubble. "The BCCI has restricted the tour to just three venues keeping in mind the current pandemic situation prevailing in the country," the BCCI release said | **P13**

VENUES OK WITH FANS, DECISION LATER

- Though venues are fine with allowing fans inside, BCCI did not mention about their decision as of now since govt has not permitted spectators inside. A decision might be taken later
- England will travel directly to Chennai after the end of the Test series in Sri Lanka in January. The first Test is from February 5

Feb 24-28

DATES OF PINK BALL TEST, FIRST INTERNATIONAL AT NEW STADIUM

CHENNAI • MADURAI • VIJAYAWADA • BENGALURU • KOCHI • HYDERABAD • VISAKHAPATNAM • COIMBATORE • KOZHIKODE • THIRUVANANTHAPURAM • BELAGAVI • BHUBANESWAR • SHIVAMOGGA • MANGALURU • TIRUPATI • TIRUCHY • TIRUNELVELI • SAMBALPUR • HUBBALLI • DHARMAPURI • KOTTAYAM • KANNUR • VILLUPURAM • KOLLAM • WARANGAL • TADEPALLIGUDEM • NAGAPATTINAM • THRISSUR • KALABURAGI

Let differences not create any disconnect: PM

Lays foundation stone for new Parliament building; harps on supreme national interest

Prime Minister Narendra Modi lays the foundation stone for a new Parliament building as part of the Central Vista project, in New Delhi on Thursday | PTI

If work was done to fulfil the needs of the country in the old Parliament building, then the aspirations of 21st century India will be fulfilled in the new building

Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

Mother of democracy

Indian democratic traditions predate the 13th century Magna Carta, Modi said, adding the day is not far when the world will term India the mother of democracy

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

AMID the ongoing stand-off between farmers and the Centre over the contentious farm sector reform laws, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday stressed the need to stay connected despite differences.

"Apart from governance, democracy has always been a medium to resolve differences of opinion. Differences strengthen democracy. While there should be space for differences, there should not be any disconnect," Modi said, while laying the foundation stone for the new Parliament building.

Modi harped on the supremacy of national interest, despite differences. "The determination to serve the nation and dedication to national interest should be reflected constantly," he said. Underscoring the importance of healthy interactions, Modi invoked the teachings of Guru Nanak, who said "dialogue must go on". The choice of a Nanak couplet was perhaps his attempt at maintaining connectivity with the protesting Sikh farmers.

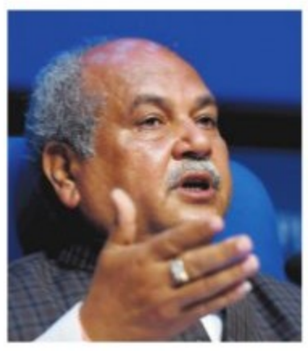
If the old Parliament House gave direction to the country after Independence, the new one will be witness to the making of an Aatmanirbhar Bharat, he said, adding it will have many new features to help increase efficiency and improve the work culture of members of Parliament.

However, the construction of the new Parliament building cannot begin for now as the Supreme Court is hearing petitions challenging the project on environmental grounds.

The new Parliament House is part of an ambitious ₹20,000 crore Central Vista project to refurbish buildings over a 3 km stretch between Rashtrapati Bhavan and the iconic War Memorial at India Gate.

Modi performed the groundbreaking ceremony amid chanting of *mantras* by priests from the Sringeri Mutt in Karnataka. Around 200 dignitaries, including ministers, lawmakers, foreign envoys and religious leaders attended. Ratan Tata, whose Tata Projects bagged the contract, was also present.

PREPARED FOR TALKS, SAYS GOVT AMIDST WAITING GAME



Blocking railway traffic on the cards

New Delhi: Intensifying their protests further, farmer unions on Thursday disclosed plans to block railway tracks across the country if their demand to repeal three contentious farm sector reform laws is not met, though a date for it has not been set yet

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@ New Delhi

A day after protesting farmers rejected the Centre's written proposals, including amendments, to address their concerns on the three farm sector reform laws, the government reiterated its willingness to continue talks while indicating that their repeal was not negotiable.

Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar said, "Whenever you are ready, the government will be prepared for talks."

Farmers, he said, were not forthcoming on specific issues and were harping only on rolling back the laws. "We tried to cull out their concerns and address them. We have given proposals to allay their misgivings. I will request them to come forward for talks," Tomar and Consumer Affairs Minister Piyush Goyal said at a press conference.

Giving clear indications that the government will not accept the unions' main demand to repeal the three laws, the ministers said that farm laws were formulated after due consideration and to benefit farmers and the entire sector. "No law can be completely wrong. The government wants to stress that it is willing to discuss any specific sticking issues farmers may want to flag."

Regarding the demand for a separate law guaranteeing the minimum support price (MSP) mechanism, Tomar said the provision has nothing to do with these laws. "PM Narendra Modi and I have repeatedly assured the farmers that the MSP system will stay." **P9**

Karnataka may go to NGT over vexed Kasturirangan report

Villagers in Malnad region fear they may be evicted; MLAs propose Kerala model to reduce extent of eco-sensitive area

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@ Bengaluru

THE State Government is likely to approach the National Green Tribunal to implead itself in the case on implementation of the Kasturirangan report. Primary Education Minister Suresh Kumar, who was replying to the Assembly on Thursday, said the government is exploring options to clarify Karnataka's stand before the tribunal.

Suresh Kumar said the state has formed a cabinet sub-committee and its report will be sent to the Central Government before the final notification is issued. On the last day of the truncated winter session, legislators in the Assembly discussed about the final notification of the eco-sensitive area (ESA) of the Western Ghats in Karnataka. The BJP members urged the government to adopt the Kerala model for implementation of the Kasturirangan report recommendations.

BJP legislator V Sunil Kumar urged the government to resurvey the 1,576 villages in Karnataka, identified in the report, as per the Kerala model. Thirthahalli MLA Agara Jnanendra said if Karnataka follows the Kerala model, the 20,668 sq km area eco-sensitive area can be reduced to around 13,000 sq km.

Kerala had constituted a committee which studied each and every village and reduced the extent of the ESA that was recommended in the report. The MLAs feared that the final notification may even lead to violence in the Malnad areas. There is a fear that those who are residing in the ESA will be evacuated if their village is included in the final notification, the lawmakers pointed out. **P4**

Big attack on Nadda's convoy in West Bengal

PRONAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

BJP national president J P Nadda's convoy was on Thursday intercepted and attacked with bricks and empty soft drink bottles at several places in West Bengal allegedly by Trinamool Congress workers.

Nadda, who is on a two-day visit to Bengal, was on his way to Diamond Harbour in South 24 Parganas district, the Lok Sabha constituency of Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's nephew Abhishek Banerjee, when his convoy came under attack.

The BJP president, who was in a bullet-proof vehicle, was unhurt but the party's Bengal observer Kailash Vijayvargiya received injuries on his left forearm as the windshields of his car were smashed with a brickbat.

Over 15 vehicles of BJP leaders, including BJP state president Dilip Ghosh, and security personnel were damaged and a party worker's head was fractured in the attack. **P10**

BJP leader Kailash Vijayvargiya receives treatment following an attack on party president JP Nadda's convoy at Sirakal near Diamond Harbour on Thursday | PTI

A LONG MARCH

A child waving the Tricolour takes part in a protest along with activists of several organisations, against the Centre's contentious farm laws, in Bengaluru on Thursday | VINOD KUMAR T

BBMP BILL PASSED IN ASSEMBLY

Even as the leaders from both the Congress and JDS boycotted Assembly proceedings opposing the passage of the cow slaughter bill, the state government got the BBMP bill passed without any Opposition. The bill proposed a 2.5-year term for both Mayor and Deputy Mayor, while the existing eight zones will be increased to 15. Each zone will act like a mini municipal corporation with the zonal commissioners getting more power. **P2**

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Sonia to retire, Sharad Pawar to take over as UPA chairperson?

RICHA SHARMA @ New Delhi

Sharad Pawar

Sonia Gandhi

WITH Congress chief Sonia Gandhi keeping unwell, NCP chief Sharad Pawar could take over as chairperson of the United Progressive Alliance (UPA), sources told *TNIE*.

Pawar is the senior-most leader among UPA allies and enjoys cordial relationship with leaders across political parties. He, along with CPM general-secretary Sitaram Yechury, coordinated a meeting of Opposition parties with President Ram Nath Kovind on Wednesday over the farmers' agitation. It was Pawar who led the delegation comprising Yechury, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, CPI general-secretary D Raja and DMK leader T K S Elangovan.

According to Congress sources, Sonia Gandhi wants to retire from active politics. Passing the baton to Rahul in December 2017 was part of the process. But after Rahul stepped down following the Congress' poor performance in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, Sonia agreed to be interim chief.

Sources pointed out that Sonia has been in and out of hospital due to severe lung infection. She could not campaign in the Lok Sabha elections in 2019 due to poor health.

"The Congress is the largest party in the UPA. So, the chairperson has to be from the Congress. But if Sonia retires, Pawar, being the seniormost among UPA allies may take over the responsibility of uniting the opposition and putting up a strong fight against the Modi regime," said sources.

Pawar had resigned from the Congress in 1991, raising Sonia Gandhi's foreign origin. And, it is common knowledge that there continues to be a trust deficit between Pawar and Sonia. However, given the BJP's growing clout and the Congress' weak position, the NCP leader could emerge the strong face of the Opposition.

However, both NCP and Congress denied any leadership change in the UPA. NCP chief spokesperson Mahesh Tapase said there has been no discussion within UPA regarding any such proposal. The Congress said the news is spread by vested interests to divert attention from farmers' agitation.

Govt plays safe in Council, doesn't table cattle bill

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A day after the controversial Karnataka Prevention of Slaughter and Preservation of Cattle Bill (2020) was rushed through the Assembly amid a walkout by the opposition Congress, a cautious BJP government chose not to table it in the Legislative Council on Thursday.

The Bill was listed on the agenda of the Council proceedings for Thursday and it was expected that the government will table the Bill for approval of the Upper House. The BJP members and ministers were wearing saffron shawls as the Bill was scheduled to be taken up for a debate. However, the government refrained from doing so, citing the absence of the minister concerned (Animal Husbandry Minister Prabhu Chavan).

Sources pointed out that when a Bill is passed in the Assembly and tabled in the Council, the opposition can demand that it be referred to a joint select committee. If the ruling party members don't agree, the Council chairman can call for voting on it. **P4**

ALMANAC TODAY
Friday: 11/12/2020 • Year: Sarvari • Ayana: Dakshinayana • Ritu: Sharad • Masa: Karthika • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Ekadashi 7.00 am • Nakshatra: Swathi 4.52 am • Moon in Tula Rashi • Rahukaala: 10:30 am to 12:00pm • Gulikakala: 07:30 am to 09:00 am Yamaganda: 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm

WEATHER
MIN 16°C | MAX 27°C
FORECAST: Mostly sunny

Sunrise 6.31 am
Sunset 5.54 pm
Moonrise 2.53 am
Moonset 3.02 pm

With no oppn, Palike Bill has easy passage

Proposes 15 zones, ad fee, entertainment tax

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@Bengaluru

THE Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Bill, which proposes expansion of the city's municipal limits, increasing the number of wards and a new governance structure with a 2.5-year term for the mayor and deputy mayor, was passed in the Assembly on Thursday with absolutely no opposition. Congress and JDS members had boycotted the Assembly proceedings opposing the government's move to pass the cow slaughter Bill.

The Bill also proposes increasing the number of zones from 8 to 15. Each zone will be like a mini municipal corporation in itself with Zonal Commissioners getting more power.

The Bill, tabled in the Assembly in March, was referred to a joint committee after several city MLAs, including those from the BJP, opposed it. The government constituted a 20-member joint select committee in August, headed by BJP MLA S Raghu, to look into it.

The committee, which tabled its recommendations in the Assembly on Wednesday, has recommended increasing the number of wards to 243 and increasing the Palike's jurisdiction by a 1-km radius. Law minister J Madhuswamy told the House that though they have recommended 1-km increase in radius, it could be more in some places where part of a panchayat or village is involved.

Further, the minister pointed out that the committee has recommended having an almost equal number of wards in every Assembly constituency. The Bill also specifies that elected representatives stick to one post at a time. The Palike commissioner will be senior IAS officer of additional chief secretary rank while zonal commissioners will IAS officers of secretary-level rank.

The Bill also proposes advertisement fee and entertainment tax. Palike officials will be given power to take action against illegal and dangerous quarries.

Farmers chase away Arkavathy site allottees

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

WHILE the issue of the Arkavathy Layout site allottees waiting for years to get alternate sites rages on, owners of 600 sites in one of the blocks cannot get anywhere near their sites. The reason: farmers whose lands were acquired for the layout refuse to allow anyone near the sites unless they are properly compensated.

This is the plight of the land owners in the 18th Block of the site in Byrathikhane off Hennur Main Road.

Speaking on behalf of a section of site owners, J Madhava Rao, vice president of the Arkavathy Allottees Association told The New Indian Express that owners were intimidated by a group of farmers who had handed over 17 acres of land for the formation of the block a decade ago.

"There are 600 people who have been allotted sites here. Since BDA is yet to form Arkavathy Layout, infrastructure such as roads, drinking water and electricity is not there. However, the problem prevails only in our block of the 20 blocks. Allottees are not allowed to touch their property," he said.

Rao added that a site owner who tried to sink a borewell, was stopped by farmers. "He had just begun the work for a few feet when the farmers came, stopped the work and snatched the rig away. They do not even allow BDA officials to visit the spot to survey and assess the land here," he said. An allottee said they approached the local police for help but nothing could be done.

M Nagaraj, president of Arkavathy Allottees Forum, another larger group, said that 10 office bearers met the new BDA Chairman S R Vishwanath last week seeking justice for site losers. "Between 1,500-2,000 allottees have lost their sites due to redo (denotification) by the government and are awaiting alternative sites. The chairman has promised them sites by end of December or early January," Nagaraj said.

BDA is open to offering the land losing farmers 40% of developed land in exchange for whatever sites are acquired from them, said an official. However, a large section of farmers are not happy with the compensation deal.

The BDA had acquired 1,806 acres for the layout 16 years ago of which 600 acres are stuck in litigation. The final notification on acquisition was issued in 2004, but later some land was denotified. One more final notification was issued in 2014.

'TIS THE SEASON

People shop for Christmas and New Year decorations at Safina Plaza in Bengaluru on Thursday | VINODKUMART

EXPRESS READ

Partial closure of Metro Purple Line this weekend

Bengaluru: Metro train services will be suspended on the Purple Line between Mysuru Road and Vijayanagar Metro stations on December 12-13 as electrical cables have to be laid at Mysuru Road Metro station in connection with an upcoming new Metro line. Atiguppe and Deepanjalinagar stations lie between Vijayanagar and Mysore Road. Normal services will be restored from 7 am on December 14. ENS

BBMP treatment of our ward worrying: Bellandur residents

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

WHILE the state government is working on improving infrastructure across the city, residents of Bellandur point out that they are worried about the way the ward is being dealt with.

In an online portal set up by the newly launched Bengaluru Nava Nirmana Party, citizens have posted that Ward number 150, Bellandur, home to one of the oldest and largest lakes in the city, is a Category B ward, with a population of over 80,000. They point out that the road conditions are miserable and many other facilities are far from what is expected.

Rupal Ralph, BNP leader said: "We downloaded information from the BNP Citizen Portal and noticed that 260 projects with a total value of Rs 111 crore were approved for Bellandur ward in the last five years but only 120 have been executed. It is ridiculous that for a ward that is the sixth largest in the city, the budget allocation for roads is a measly Rs 3.2 crore."

Residents also said the allocated Rs 3.2 crore has been used for maintenance of facilities such as parks and street lights in Bellandur. There are many dark spots in the ward making it dangerous for pedestrians and drivers.

> **We noticed that 260 projects with a total value of Rs 111 crore were approved for Bellandur ward in the last five years but only 120 have been executed.**
>
> Rupal Ralph, BNP leader

Property tax collection from Bellandur is the highest in the city, they said, adding that it is time that citizens are consulted and allowed to participate in the process of ward-level project approval and execution, which is the only way to remove corruption, inefficiency and poor work quality in these projects. Residents of Bellandur have protested several times on this matter and need to be heard, residents said.

Adding to Bellandur's bundle of woes is the pig menace. Pigs are susceptible to a virus which can infect humans as well. Early in February this year, the IT giant SAP India had shut its offices following two cases of H1N1 influenza, a strain of swine flu. Residents say pigs are attracted to the garbage which is dumped on roads due to irregular waste collection. Civic activists from the Kasa Mukta Bellanduru forum have filed a petition online demanding that the waste collection contractor for the ward be changed.

STARTUP BRIDGES GAP

Farm-fresh fruits, veggies reach customers' tables

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AT a time when purchasing pesticide-free fresh fruits and vegetables has become a challenge, a Bengaluru-based startup is supplying these items to citizens, that too at 20 per cent lower cost. Humus, a store in JP Nagar 2nd Phase, is working on the Amul model: the firm procures fruits and vegetables directly from farmers, processes and sells them to customers in Bengaluru. That is not all, the store is now so popular that citizens are looking for space for Humus to open branches in other parts of Bengaluru.

They get customers from Uttarahalli, HSR Layout, Koramangala, Kengeri and Jalahalli.

Manjunath TN, head of the firm, said they have had a tie-up with 500 farmers from Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh for the past two years. "Earlier, we would procure supplies from farmers and give them to retailers. Later, we found that they were selling at the market price. The idea of tying up with farmers was to break the middleman chain. So we decided to open our own store, and the response has been good," he said.

"We follow the Amul model, where produce is directly procured and there is minimal human interference in supply to consumers. We procure the items from Chikkaballapur, Kolar, Andhara Pradesh, Mysuru and Ooty. They are unable to come into the market and sell their stuff, so we are doing it for them, and there is 100 per cent transparency as there is no middleman chain," he stated.

The firm comprises a team of 30 people, who procure and pack, with 10 core members who interact with farmers. "We work on the principle that you have to make it a people's model. It works when there is transparency and affordability. This has proved more so during the pandemic," Manjunath added.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

11th December: Today's top sign is Taurus, which is what we call a 'fixed-earth' sign. By this we mean that it is practical and stubborn. The typical Taurean likes to get things done, and relies on determination and consistency to achieve this. If these people have a weakness, it's a failure to change when change is necessary. For Taureans, flexibility can be a virtue worth cultivating.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Your long-term planetary picture indicates no let-up in major worldly pressures. However, today's short-term alignment urges you to get up and go, leaving behind all those ties which are holding you back. You're a person in a hurry, and partners need to recognise that.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Even those of you who are not currently pre-occupied by work, must keep routine and domestic chores to the fore. Hold whatever discussions are necessary and see to it that partners and colleagues approve your intentions. I know it's a busy moment, but you'll manage just fine.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
These may be hectic and decisive days at home. There's no time to waste even if other people are urging you to compromise or be more flexible. Try to be cool and logical and don't get sucked into emotional confrontations, especially if they are likely to make a difficult situation worse.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Your solar chart is a rather special one at the moment, mainly because you are basking under a stimulating set of alignments. New contacts are doing so much for your imagination, expanding your horizons. Yet you must never under-estimate the potential obstacles which may be placed in your path.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
You are now in the fortunate position of being able to realise certain dreams, especially those concerned with the very mundane field of work. You may be tempted towards fulfilling the ideal of service to the community. Deep inside you're in a somewhat saintly mood!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
There is still plenty of time to sort out your financial affairs. This is an ideal week to work out how to acquire extra funds. It's not a matter of luck, but of receiving the rewards you deserve. Plus, social stars beckon, so make sure you treat your friends well!

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
It's not other people who are difficult to handle, it's your own deep anger and resentment going back years to the imagined slights and hurts of the past. Don't let such feelings spoil what could be a happy period. A short journey could offer a valuable distraction from more weighty matters.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You might find something out in a roundabout manner. Ironically, you may discover that there is in fact nothing to know, and that your hopes, fears or concerns were but a mirage. But, then, that is so often the case! Hopefully you'll be suitably relieved.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Emotionally the ball is still in your court. This means that other people may be dependent on your goodwill but that in return you have certain obligations to discharge on their behalf. Anyway, you're still very much in the lead, cosmically speaking.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
There's a great deal going on behind the scenes, in addition to other events which may be only half explained. There is much to find out before you can push ahead with important personal plans. How and when you make your secrets public is a matter for your discretion.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Let's look at the long-term for a change: more than ever, this is a time to boost your physical well-being through judicious changes in your diet and improvements in your exercise regime. Over the next three months, you will receive more offers and opportunities than you could ever have expected.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Your work requires your undivided attention. Don't worry about details, but focus on the broad picture. You still have much to achieve, even in terms of your personal interests and activities. This is very much a moment to take your full place in the wider community.

THE PHANTOM

"I TALKED WITH HELOISE TODAY...
"THINGS DON'T GO TOO WELL WITH KADRA AND HER MOTHER."
YOUR NAME CAME UP...
REALLY? MY IMMORTAL IDENTITY, OR ME PERSONALLY?
BOTH.

HI AND LOIS

WHY IS EVERYONE SO QUIET TONIGHT?
YOU TOLD US IT'S IMPORTANT TO LISTEN.
SO WE'RE LISTENING.
SOMEBODY HAS TO TALK.
I'M SPEECHLESS.

BEETLE BAILEY

WHAT'S FOR DINNER?
YOUR FAVORITE
I THOUGHT MASHED POTATOES AND MEATLOAF WAS YOUR FAVORITE
THERE'S A TEN-WAY TIE FOR NUMBER ONE

BLONDIE

I CAN CONTROL THE TV WITH MY PHONE NOW?
YES SIR, JUST DOWNLOAD THIS APP
WOW! IS THERE ANYTHING THESE NEW APPS CAN'T OPERATE?
UH, SIR...
HEY, I CAN DREAM, CAN'T I?!

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

SUDOKU

4	7			3	5	2		
						3	1	
3		5	2	9				
6				8			9	2
1	4	9				8	3	6
2	8			1				4
				4	2	9		7
	9	4						
		2	9	7			8	3

MEDIUM

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

2	9	3	1	4	8	7	6	5
6	5	1	7	3	2	4	8	9
4	8	7	9	6	5	3	2	1
5	7	4	3	2	9	6	1	8
9	3	2	6	8	1	5	4	7
8	1	6	4	5	7	9	3	2
1	6	5	8	9	3	2	7	4
3	2	8	5	7	4	1	9	6
7	4	9	2	1	6	8	5	3

JUMBLE — THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

FJYIF

TUHMO

OIRRRM

CRUPES

Welcome! We hope you all enjoy your new space!
This is the place to be.
I bet they'll raise our taxes now.
Wow! Impressive!
ANCIENT ROMANS WANTED A LARGE PUBLIC SQUARE, SO THEY BUILT A ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans. here: ( ) ( ) ( )

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: PIXEL RIVER FEWEST NONFAT
Answer: They had the police artist's silhouette sketch and looked for someone who — FIT THE PROFILE

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CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 A yard in front? (9)
8 He's riled perhaps but he does nothing (5)
9 Young bounder (7)
10 Is put to a variety of uses in publications (6)
11 He believes in new tithes (6)
12 I'm the favourite one to go with a complaint (8)
15 They take steps to protest perhaps (8)
18 A Quaker may display it (6)
20 Came in for the pictures (6)
21 Is a good man able to get a game? (7)
22 Collect more pay (5)
23 Servicemen who have a job to do (4,5)

DOWN

2 Black magic? (5)
3 It simply makes you sick (6)
4 Remove it perhaps for extra pay (8)
5 The first edition paper (6)
6 Big hand gets praise in the mine (7)
7 Change one's bank perhaps (5,4)
11 Integral part of one's best suit (5,4)
13 Stamp on a stamp (8)
14 With foreign money about it turns wild with excitement (7)
16 Village tragedy (6)
17 Gale blows itself out to a smooth finish (6)
19 Work with a twitch in the eye (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Recover, 4 Hyena, 7 Noes, 8 Emigrant, 10 Writes down, 12 Choose, 13 Bypass, 15 Occupation, 18 Cheaters, 19 Sung, 20 Eland, 21 Dialect.

Down: 1 Renew, 2 Creditor, 3 Remedy, 4 Highwayman, 5 Elan, 6 Antlers, 9 Persecuted, 11 Latitude, 12 Coracle, 14 Putrid, 16 Night, 17 Lena.

FASTER TESTING

CSIR, Apollo to launch dry swab Covid-19 test

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THE Council of Scientific and Industrial Research-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology and Apollo Hospitals will jointly manufacture and commercialise a dry swab RT-PCR test that is likely to be faster and cheaper than the current process, according to a press release.

The Reverse Transcription - Polymerase Chain Reaction test detects SARS-CoV-2 by converting viral RNA into DNA, and then amplifying the DNA to confirm the presence of the virus. Swabs are stored in a Viral Transport Medium, a liquid to store viruses for testing or research, which is imported and expensive. With the Direct Amplication rapid RT-PCR (DArRT-PCR) test, dry nasal or throat swabs can be directly sent to labs.

"The rapid, safe and cost-effective DArRT-PCR tests will be available nationally through the Apollo Hospitals network. The DArRT-PCR test allows for rapid, safer and more cost-effective SARS-COV-2 testing. The biological sample can be directly isolated from the patient swabs, and testing using a one-step protocol," Apollo Hospitals said.

The current method requires many expensive reagents and steps that add to the expertise, money and time required to obtain results. The DArRT-PCR test reduces the time and human effort by 40-50% compared to the time currently required for testing, the release said.

"The virus will be here for some time, it seems, and those who test more frequently will be able to contain the impact of COVID-19 better. Cheaper, rapid and easy to use tests as these are the need of the hour," Dr Rakesh Mishra, director, CSIR-CCMB said.

Dr Sangita Reddy, joint managing director, Apollo Hospitals Group said, "These tests will go a long way in facilitating the identification of infected individuals who may be asymptomatic or presymptomatic."

Stroke could follow Covid recovery, say B'luru docs

SARS-CoV-2 causes blood clots which can later lead to stroke

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ALTHOUGH Covid-19 was initially thought to be a disease that primarily affects the lungs, doctors have gradually discovered that it affects many other organs and organ systems.

Doctors in Bengaluru are seeing cases of people suffer a stroke after they recover from Covid-19, although this number is smaller than that of those who develop respiratory or cardiovascular complications.

Two middle-aged men recently turned up at the post-Covid clinic at Ramaiah Hospital complaining of weakness in one side of the body - a typical symptom of stroke - three weeks after the onset of Covid-19 symptoms. Both were diabetic and one of them had hypertension as well. They were treated for 4-5 days and discharged.

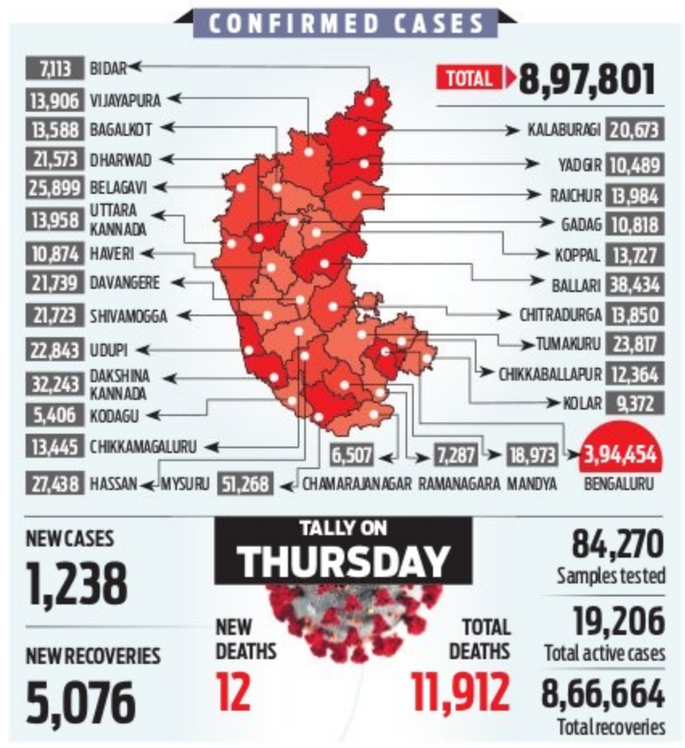
A stroke is a brain disease that occurs when there is a rupture in blood vessels in the brain, or when cholestrol deposits block blood supply to the brain. Stroke can cause weakness in the arms, speech disturbance, loss of balance, loss of vision, drooping of facial muscles, etc.

Staff at a fever clinic carry out their duties in Bengaluru | MEGHANA SASTRY

"SARS-CoV-2 predisposes people to blood clots. In case of stroke, blood clots form in the arteries of the brain and damage neurons and weaken the body. Age and comorbidities too play a role," said Dr Vijayashree Thyagaraj, lead physician for post-Covid care at Ramaiah Medical College Hospital. She said that standard treatment involves using drugs to break up or dissolve blood clots and administering anti-coagulants.

Dr Suryanarayana Sharma, senior consultant for neurology at Apollo Hospitals, said that many Covid patients are given blood thinners as the the disease is now known to cause blood clotting. "But we have seen one or two people presenting with stroke a week after recovering from Covid. If they come within 4.5 hours of the occurrence of stroke, they are given clot bursting medication or injection. However, if they come after that, and there are big blockages in the blood vessels, a brain angiogram or angioplasty are done," he said.

While some people recover completely, others suffer various forms lasting of neurological damage.



Resident doctors in state consider Covid duty strike

PEARL MARIA DSOUZA
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RESIDENT doctors in Karnataka have written to the Department of Medical Education with a slew of demands, and are contemplating a boycott of Covid-19 duties if they are not met.

In their letter, the Karnataka Association of Resident Doctors, which represents around 5,000 residents doctors said that medical students, house surgeons, had been on Covid duty for months and their education had taken a backseat.

They urged the government to waive the tuition fee for the year 2020-21. They demanded recognition for their Covid services and that they be given a Covid risk allowance.

President of Karnataka Association of Resident Doctors, Dayanand Sagar told TNIE that they had received assurance from the principal secretary that the issue of their stipends would be resolved, no heed had been paid to any of their other demands. Another doctor said they felt that they have been used as cheap labour for Covid-19, having long hours of work extracted from them. "When are we going to get back to our specialisations," he said.

NO DRAMA

Theatre still not allowed to resume, stage artistes in dire straits

MAHESH M GOUDAR @Bagalkot

WHILE much of the economy including recreational activities have been allowed to resume, drama companies are still in limbo as they are not permitted to stage plays.

Over 2,500 artists including musicians who eked out a living by staging plays are still struggling. At least 12 drama companies including Gubbi Veeranna Nataka Sangha used to pitch tents to stage plays during the annual Banashankari chariot festival at Badami. They provided employment to over 500 families in the month-long festival that now stands cancelled.

Nagarathna (44), from Badami told TNIE, "The order of district administration has shaken me completely. I was hoping to make some gains during the festival, as I have been rendered jobless since the outbreak. I have to pay the school fees of my children and repay debts." She has been a theatre artist for the last three decades.

Many artists urged the district administration to allow drama companies to resume, but to no avail.

Rayappa D, a theater artist from Jamkhandi, said, "It is sad the government had no qualms about political parties taking out rallies in the recent byelections, where norms were barely followed. However, even after we assured that will follow all the norms, the district administration denied permission."

Deputy Commissioner Captain Dr K Rajendra said, "We will not permit drama companies to stage plays. We don't want to take any kind of risk. It has come to our notice that artistes are in financial trouble, but they have to cooperate."

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PANCHAYAT RAJ DEPARTMENT
ANDHRA PRADESH RURAL ROAD CONNECTIVITY PROJECT (APRRP)
PRIOR NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (NCB)
IFB No. 34 to 55/APRRP/PRED/2020-21, Dt: 10-12-2020

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The General Public is hereby notified that our client Sri.Kamlesh Kumar intend to purchase the schedule property from its present owner - Kum. Dr.Rekha Matta.

Present owner - Kum. Dr.Rekha Matta has represented our client Sri.Kamlesh Kumar that the original 1) Sale deed/s Sale deed dated 16.12.1950 executed by Sri.J.V.Jagannatha Rao in favour of Smt.V.Rathnamma (doc.no.1812/1950-51), 2) Sale deed dated 07.03.1956 executed by Smt.V.Ratnnamma and Sri.M.V.Rao in favour of Smt.Mary Varghese (doc no.2194/55-56) and 3) Sale deed dated 19.01.1980 executed by Smt.Mary Varghese in favour of Sri. M.T.Matta (doc.no.3724/1979-80) are lost/misplaced her. In this connection, a police complaint has been lodged on 16/01/2020 online vide Lost report bearing no. 012716/2020.

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Possession Notice
(For Immovable Property)

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Description of the Immovable Property

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Property standing in the name of Mr Shekhar Bhardwaj S/o Suresh Bhardwaj, Flat No.R-206, 2nd Floor, situated @ Madras Sapper Officers Colony, (mso Colony), Ward No.86, Bangalore Doddigunat Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, containing multi storied building "PURVA IRIS" super built area of 1134 sq ft with proportionate undivided share of 1.72%, together with one covered car parking, proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, constructed on sy No.98/1, and portion of Sy No.99/3&101, measuring 36216 sq ft, vide conversion order bearing No.BDIS.ALNSR(N)150/ 88-89, dated 04.04.1989, issued by the special deputy Commissioner, Bangalore dis, situated @ Ward No.86, Bangalore Doddigunta Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on: East by : Jeevanahalli Main Road, West by: Property in occupation of M/s Gemini paints, North by : M.E.G. Officers Colony, South by: Purva park, No.53, MSO Colony.

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Date: 09.12.2020

Advt.No.: 07-T/IMSc/2020

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District Program Office (Blindness Division),
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No.: BBMP/BCP/PR/06/2020-21 **Date : 10.12.2020**

e-Procurement TENDER NOTIFICATION

Bids are invited through e-procurement tender for supply of free spectacles to Government & aided school children and senior citizens with short sight impairment in the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike limits under blindness control programme. The bidding process is published in accordance with the schedule below.

Sl. No.	Tender No.	Tender Subject	Tender Notification Amount	EMD Amount
1	B.B.M.P/ BCP/PR/ 05/2020-21	Regarding supply of free sepctacles to senior citizens who has short sight impairment.	3,50,000/-	8,750/-
2	B.B.M.P/ BCP/PR/ 06/2020-21	Regarding supply of free sepctacles to Government and aided school children.	7,35,000/-	18,375/-

Calendar of Events : (1) Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike distribution of proposal documents : obtained from the date **11.12.2020** through e-Procurement website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** (2) Last date for submission of proposals : **11.01.2021, 5:00 p.m.** (3) Date of opening of proposals technical bid : **15.01.2021** at **11:00 a.m.** (4) Date of opening of financial bid porposal : **21.01.2021** at **11:00 a.m.** More information can be obtained from the Office of the District Program Officer - Blindness Division, 7th Floor, Commercial Complex, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bangalore, Telephone: 9071051079 or **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

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3	Yediyur	YY	
4	BG Nagar	BGNR	
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6	Shravanabelagola	SBGA	
7	Channarayapatna	CNPA	

The last Date and time of submission of application from **10:00 hours to 15:00 hours of 08.01.2021** and Date and time of Opening of application **15:05 hours of 08.01.2021**

For details log on: **www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in**

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Bengaluru

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GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND
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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR EMPANELMENT OF CONSULTANTS FOR PREPARATION OF DPRs

The department invites Expression of Interest from the reputed consultants / consulting firms /entrepreneur institution/expert in this field who has worked or having capacity to work or working in rural & urban areas and having capacity building, technical expertization & in house software infrastructure for preparation of Techno-economic Feasibility Reports, Detail Project Reports and providing project management consultancy for Rural & Urban Pipe Water Supply Schemes, solid Liquid waste management (SLWMS) and Sewerage & Drainage projects in the state of Jharkhand.

Date & time for publishing of NIT & TOR on website is 14.12.2020 at 5.00 PM.

Pre-bid meeting for EOI will be held on 22.12.2020 at 3.00 PM.

Last date for submission of documents for EOI with tender fee is 11.01.2021 up to 3.00 PM.

Date of Opening of Technical bids 12.01.2021 at 4.00 PM.

NOTE:- i. For Detailed information and knowledge, vide **Annexure-1** for Terms of Reference for Technical & Financial Bid and **Annexure-2** for TOR of Consultants for preparation of DPR & payment schedule and other issues available on website **dwsd.jharkhand.gov.in**.

ii. Chief Engineer, CDO, D.W.&S.D. may be contacted in his office or through his Mobile No. : 9504577191, Tel. No. : 0651-2490581 (O).

iii. The documents of EOI must be sent to Chief Engineer, Central Design Organisation, Drinking Water & Sanitation Department near Nepal House, Doranda, Ranchi-834002 in a Envelope containing of two envelopes – one for technical Details (A+C+D) super scribed & another for financial Details (B) super scribed.

iv. The documents of EOI for Annexure-1 & Annexure-2 can be obtained on any working day upon payment of Rs.2000 (Two thousand only) in shape of Demand Draft in favour of **Executive Engineer, Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Ranchi West, Ranchi** on any working day from the undersigned office or it may also be downloaded from dwsd.jharkhand.gov.in in which case the fee in the form of Demand Draft should be enclosed with the offer document at the time of submission.

v. The consultants empanelled under the Department vide letter no. 558(CDO) dated 01.09.2020 will not submit EOI document for Re-empanelling.

PR.NO.237213 Drinking Water and Sanitation(20-21):D **Chief Engineer (CDO), DW&SD, Jharkhand, Ranchi**

In the wake of the strike announced by the Indian Medical Association on December 11, opposing the Centre's move to allow Ayurveda practitioners to do surgery, a circular was issued by the Commissioner of Health Department stating that government hospitals will run emergency and Covid treatment services between 6 am and 6 pm

PROTESTERS RALLY FOR RIGHTS, CONGRESS LEADERS JOIN IN

Cops detain farmer leaders, escort them to Raj Bhavan | KSRTC, BMTC staff demand government employee status | Protests snarl up Bengaluru traffic, many roads congested

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IT was a day of protests, as farmers picked up from where they had left off on Wednesday, and were joined by employees of KSRTC and BMTC. The Congress, too, arrived later in the day to support the protesters.

The protests threw Bengaluru traffic out of kilter, with snarls reported from across the Central Business District, and traffic disruption in and around Majestic, Anand Rao Circle and Sheshadri Road.

Thousands of farmers began their rally from KSR Railway Station to Freedom Park on Thursday morning. City police detained Kodihalli Chandrashekar and farmers who attempted to lay siege to Vidhana Soudha, and took them to Adugodi for preventive custody.

The protesters reached Freedom Park and tried to proceed towards Raj Bhavan, but police stopped them near KR Circle and forced them to sit in Freedom Park. However, police escorted a delegation led by farmer leader Kuruburu Shanthakumar to Raj Bhavan, where he submitted a memorandum to Governor Vajubhai Vala, requesting him to reject the revised farm bill.

Shanthakumar told TNIE that the governor had assured them he would direct the government to discuss the bill with farmer leaders and then take a decision, so they have called off the protest temporarily.

Siddu leads march

Towards afternoon, Congress leaders joined the farmers' protest to extend support. Opposition leader Siddaramaiah, KPCC president DK Shivakumar, former DyCM Dr G Parameshwara, besides MLAs Zameer Ahmed Khan, U T Khader and others marched in protest from Vidhana Soudha to Freedom Park on Thursday.

They chanted slogans supporting farmers and opposing the governmentas they marched to Freedom Park, where Siddaramaiah burnt a copy of the farm bill to loud cheers from farmers. He then spoke to the protesting farmers, and assured them that if Congress came to power, it would roll back both the farm bill and anti-cow slaughter bill.

Charging the JDS with supporting farm bill in the Upper House, he said that JDS leaders HD Deve Gowda and Revanna had opposed the bills, yet the party had supported passage of the bill. The anti-cow slaughter bill was passed in the assembly but was not tabled in the Upper House. The protesting Congressmen chanted anti-BJP and anti-JDS slogans.

Farmers take part in a protest to demand repealing of farm laws in Bengaluru on Thursday; vechicles stopped at Dhanvanthri Road due to the protest | SHRIRAM BN, VINOD KUMAR T

THE DEMANDS

Transport corporation employees, trade unionists and farmers took out protest rallies to press for their demands:

Agitating KSRTC and BMTC employees demanded that they be treated as government employees and be given all facilities. Currently, they are not getting proper salaries despite working with the department for more than 15 years

Farmers are seeking the revocation of two amendments — one pertaining to the Karnataka Land Reforms, lifting restrictions on purchase of land, and the other relating to Agricultural Produce Marketing Committees allowing traders to directly approach farmers to purchase crops

Farmers stage dharna outside Suvarna Soudha

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Belagavi

PROTESTING against the Centre's farm bill, farmers from several districts of North Karnataka staged a dharna in front of Suvarna Vidhana Soudha in Belagavi on Thursday. The protesters demanded that the government withdraw the farm bill in the interest of the nation's farmers.

Extending support to the ongoing agitation of farmers in New Delhi, the agitators shouted slogans against the new laws and urged the government to stop implementing anti-farmer policies. The government must come up with projects and programmes to bolster the agriculture sector, they added.

Addressing the agitators, farmer leader from Chikkodi Raju Pawar appealed to the Centre and state governments to "stop taking people for a ride", and said that farmers would continue their stir if the farm bill is not withdrawn.

Several farmers said the government was yet to rebuild the houses of farmers which collapsed in the floods. A number of flood-hit farmers are still awaiting compensation for losses suffered, they added.

Sitting on dharna outside Suvarna Soudha, adjacent to the National Highway, the farmers cooked food and served it among the protesters. Members of various farmer organisations like Raitha Sangha, Hasiru Sene etc, were part of the agitation.

CROP LOSS

Permit us to use guns, kill animals, says BJP MLA

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UNABLE to tackle wild animals attacking farms and damaging crops grown by farmers, MLAs from the Malnad region, including Speaker Vishveshwara Hegde Kageri, are demanding that the State government take action on this menace.

BJP MLA **Agara Jnanendra** went to the extent of demanding that the government allow them to use weapons to kill wild animals. "Give us the permission to use guns, we will kill animals and control them," he said.

Rampaging elephants have long caused angst among farmers in this region, who often lose their harvest. During Question Hour, Mudigere MLA M P Kumaraswamy raised the issue to elephant attacks in his constituency. "Farmers toil the entire year to grow their crops, but when the harvesting period arrives, elephants attack and damage them. This has to be stopped," he added.

Mudigere MLA MP Kumaraswamy raised the issue of elephant attacks in his constituency, to which Speaker Kageri added that attacks have now become rampant. "It is causing problems to farmers, who should be compensated for crop loss," MLA Kumaraswamy said.

Kageri said that farmers should be compensated for crop loss. "It's not just elephants, farmers are facing problems from pigs, peacocks, monkeys and other animals too," he said.

Cow bill: BJP plans to issue ordinance soon

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SINCE the Congress and JDS together have more numbers in the Upper House, the chairman Prathapchandra Shetty, who is from the Congress, would have agreed for a joint committee and this would have embarrassed the BJP, they explained. A BJP minister, on condition of anonymity, said they are planning to issue an ordinance this week and bring it before the House in the next session.

When it was time to table the Bill on Thursday, BJP MLC Ayanur Manjunath stood up and sought information about the request to consider the notice on moving a no-confidence motion against the chairman.

The aggressive Congress members intervened and demanded that the Bill be proposed as it was mentioned in the agenda and added that they were prepared for a debate.

At this juncture, the floor leader of the ruling party, Kota Srinivas Poojary, said, "The minister concerned in not present and we will table the Bill tomorrow."

Council Chairman K Pratapchandra Shetty, in his reply to Manjunath, said, "I have mentioned the opinion of legal experts on the matter in the file. I have directed the officials to inform the members concerned (who had submitted the notice) about it." Amidst the demand by the BJP members to consider the notice, the Chairperson adjourned the Council sine die.

Will repeal cow slaughter, APMC laws if voted to power, says Congress

Mysuru: Congress said on Thursday they will be repealing the APMC, Anti-cow Slaughter and labour laws in the state once they are voted back to power. Party spokesperson M Lakshman accused former CM H D Kumaraswamy of misleading people with his claims that the JDS supported the bill since the state government has included several modifications based on their plea. "It's a lie that the government has changed clauses in the bills. Change of land use has been barred only in the case of irrigated lands, it does not say anything about dry lands, also 79 a, b, c and 80 that would have safeguarded the interest of farmers have been removed," he said. **ENS**

Congress favouring those who slaughter cattle, says Kateel

Mangaluru: BJP state unit president Nalin Kumar Kateel on Thursday said that Congress was opposing anti-cow slaughter bill only to appease one section of society. He offered Gau Puja outside the district BJP office. Speaking to the media, he said the Congress supports only those who slaughter cattle. "When Siddaramaiah was the chief minister, his government did not take any action against those who stole cattle from houses and slaughtered them. Hence, we cannot expect Congress to support this bill," he said. He also accused the Congress of playing with the life of farmers, who are dependent on cattle, by opposing the bill. "This bill is not against any religion but to support farmers," he said. **ENS**

PM Narendra Modi's brother Prahlad in Tumakuru on Thursday | EXPRESS

Modi's brother thanks Yediyurappa for cow bill

Tumakuru: Prime Minister Narendra Modi's brother Prahlad Modi on Thursday congratulated the B S Yediyurappa-led government on passing the anti-cow slaughter Bill in the assembly. "Cow is revered as 'gau matha' in Hindu culture as 33 crore gods live in it. I thank the chief minister and his cabinet colleagues," he said. Modi was here to inaugurate the Vaishno Devi temple. He also narrated a story about how the king of Brazil had taken shelter in Jamnagar due to a storm, and returned to his country with a gift of a Gir cow. "Following this, his country has reaped the benefits. It is proved that people there have become intelligent and healthy after drinking the milk of the cow," he claimed. He suggested that people practice non-violence preached by Mahavir, Buddha and Mahatma Gandhi in letter and spirit. **ENS**

Need better infra in IT corridors: BJP members

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BJP members in the assembly on Thursday demanded that the state government provide better infrastructure in tech corridors before IT companies start allowing their staff to work from office.

Aravind Limbavali from Mahadevapura where many IT companies are located said most companies have allowed their staff to work from home or work from anywhere. "Before these companies allow their staff to work from office again, I request the government to provide better infrastructure, so that these people can travel with ease to their offices. Also, if better infrastructure is provided, more new IT companies will come to Bengaluru," he said.

Aravind Limbavali

Hosakote MLA Sharath Bacchegowda raised the issue about IT parks in Bengaluru. He pointed out that due to the work from home culture, productivity in IT companies had come down. Many tech parks and the buildings are lying vacant as 93 per cent of techies are working from home, he said.

Udupi MLA Raghupathy Bhat demanded that the government lift the work from home policy as many services related to the sector like transport and food industries are hit.

Replying to him, Deputy CM and ITBT Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayana said that ever since the pandemic induced lockdown was imposed in March, most of the IT companies, research and development centres and startups allowed their staff to work from home and their work was not hit. "The companies themselves have given relaxation and the state government cannot intervene. This is a temporary measure. Once everything is fine, they will come back to the office. We cannot impose any restrictions till then," he said.

IN THE HOUSE

We managed floods better this year, says Ashoka

Bengaluru: Denying the Opposition's allegations that the state government failed in flood management, Revenue Minister R Ashoka said the government has managed better than in the previous years. Replying to Opposition leader Siddaramaiah's charges, Ashoka said floods in August had left 48,367 houses partially or completely destroyed, 20.87 lakh hectares of agriculture land flooded, and 37,805km of roads, 4,084 bridges and 7,606 government buildings damaged. While 325 NDRF, 200 SDRF and 200 Army personnel and four helicopters were deputed for rescue operations, the state government made arrangements for 52,242 people in relief centres. Ashoka claimed the government had given ₹1,320 crore for house, crop and other damages, which is more than what NDRF guidelines prescribe. **ENS**

MLCs demand clean-up of VC appointment process

Bengaluru: The Karnataka State Universities and Certain Other Law (Amendment) Bill 2020 was passed in the Legislative Council on Thursday. Several members said the system of appointment of Vice-Chancellors should be cleaned up to achieve quality in education. JDS MLC Marithibbegowda said the government must put an end to the corruption behind appointing VCs. Meanwhile, BJP MLC Ravikumar said, "The quality of researches in universities is not satisfactory. No attention is being given to improving syllabus". Leader of the opposition SR Patil said the lobby of money and caste behind appointing VCs was deteriorating the quality of education. Minister for Higher Education Dr Ashwath Narayan CN said that efforts will be made to introduce a comprehensive act to improve all aspects of universities. **ENS**

Opposition slams govt for unnecessary spending

Bengaluru: Opposition members in the Council criticised the government for undertaking unnecessary expenditure while the state is reeling under a financial crisis due to the pandemic. During the debate over the Karnataka Appropriation Bill proposed by Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Thursday, Leader of the opposition S R Patil said, "The government, that was supposed to help people during the pandemic, was involved in rampant corruption. Now, approval for high-budget projects is sought while it has stopped social security schemes and pensions." JDS MLC Basavaraj Horatti said the government created a board for the welfare of a community and now similar applications from various communities are pending before the government. The JDS slammed the government for announcing a guest house in Tirupati costing ₹220 crore. **ENS**

ASSEMBLY DIARY

The game of the name

Prahlad Damodardas Modi, younger brother of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, had some advice for the people gathered for the inauguration of the local 'Vaishno Devi' temple: Affix Modi to your name as surname. "Today, I beg of you to make use of Modi. Whatever individual names you may have, such as Sahu, Rathod or Jaiswal, keep it in brackets, and use Modi after that," he advised. The younger Modi has been organising his community — 'Ganiga' in the South and 'Teli' in North India, who traditionally extracted oil for a living. While we may now see a profusion of Modis, with or without attached brackets, what he may not foresee is that many may try to cash in on the name.

The importance of being Sahukar

After former JDS minister B A Jivijaya was formally inducted into Congress on Thursday, party biggies like Opposition leader Siddaramaiah, KPCC president D K Shivakumar and others sat chatting when the topic of how landlords are addressed, came up. While in North Karnataka they are addressed as 'Sahukar', this term is not used in South, except in very occasional cases. Suddenly, Siddaramaiah turned around and in his inimitable style, asked Shivakumar, a farmer from Kanakapura near Bengaluru, "Do they call you Sahukar?" DKS, taken aback by the query, replied, "No sir, they don't call me Sahukar." No doubt, a certain Sahukar from Gokak was on their minds too.

Holier than thou in gau reverence

The cow has always been revered, but seemed to have suddenly become holy cow after the passage of the anti-cow slaughter Bill in the assembly. All around Bengaluru, groups of people were seen offering puja to cows on Thursday. Before the Bill was tabled on Wednesday, a cow was brought to Vidhana Soudha, where ministers K S Eshwarappa and Prabhu Chavan performed gau puja. The issue has gained so much importance that the CMO's message to journalists informed that CM Yediyurappa would offer prayers to a cow at his residence at 9am.

Villagers warn of boycotting panchayat polls

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MUDIGERE MLA MP Kumaraswamy noted that the many villages have announced a boycott of the gram panchayat polls over the implementation of the report.

Malnad has been on the boil over the Kasturirangan report, Central government schemes like the tiger reserve and identification of eco-sensitive and buffer zones, considered to be anti-farmer.

The people of Koppa, Mudigere, N R Pura, Sringeri and some parts of Chikkamagaluru feel their lives will be severely impacted if these schemes are implemented.

Meetings, protests, bandhs and agitations have been going on to pressure the government to file an affidavit before the National Green Tribunal before December 31, on implementation of the Kasturirangan report.

Dinesh Chandra Patwari has taken charge as the Principal Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, Karnataka & Goa region. An IRS officer of the 1986 batch, Patwari was earlier the Director General of Income Tax (Investigation), Tamil Nadu and Puducherry, which he is now holding as an additional charge.

Leather, meat industries worry over impact of cow slaughter Bill

Farmers, zoo managements and other officials question the need for such a law

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

A day after the the Karnataka Prevention of Slaughter and Preservation of Cattle Bill, 2020, was passed in the Assembly, the Animal Husbandry Department and the Institute of Veterinary Sciences have pointed to some grey areas in it. The queries were raised based on the responses they have been receiving from people and farmers.

"What will happen to the leather and meat business, which is now about ₹500-700 crore annually? Those in the industry are worried that this Bill will directly hit them. The farmers are also questioning what will happen to the male calves. They state that they have to spend around ₹100-150 daily to feed them," said an Animal Husbandry Department veterinarian, who did not want to be named.

Another official said there is no clarity about the impact on the meat market where 2.5 lakh heads of cattle are slaughtered annually, apart from 15-20 lakh sheep and goats. "With the passage of the Bill, there was a 40 per cent drop on the first day itself. The farmers are worried about the impact in the days ahead," the official added.

A bull being taken towards the Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Friday. Farmers are concerned about what will happen to happen to male calves | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Farmers also ask why no provision has been made in the Bill for creating gaushalas. There are many stray cattle on the roads as farmers are unable to take care of them. With this new Bill, their number on the roads will only increase, according to farmers and officials.

The farmers, officials from other departments and the zoo managements who read the draft, wondered about the need for such a Bill. "It is a mere amendment of the 1964 Bill. The government could have done away with that. There are many grey areas which the government now needs to address," an Animal Husbandry Department official said.

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Veterinarian,
Animal Husbandry Department

COUNTERFEIT NOTES

NIA court jails 3 in fake Indian currency case

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A special NIA court here has sentenced three persons to varying jail terms in the Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICN) case. The three are -- Dalim Mia alias Jalim, Ashok Mahadev Kumbar and Shukruddin Sekh alias Sukruddin Ansari.

The NIA court has sentenced Dalim, Kumbar and Shukruddin under sections of the IPC and jailed them for six, five and two years respectively while imposing a fine of ₹5,000 each, an official said.

The case relates to the recovery of fake currency notes of total face value of ₹82,000 from the possession of Kumbar, who had received it from Dalim, said the NIA spokesperson.

The case was originally registered on March 12, 2018 at Chikkodi police station, Belagavi, under section 489B, 489C, 120B and 34 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) pertaining to counterfeiting currency notes and using them as genuine, criminal conspiracy and common intent.

Subsequently, the NIA had re-registered the case on April 14, 2018 and taken up the investigation.

"During the investigation, the involvement of Rajendra Patil alias Desai, Gangadhar Kolkar alias Gangappa Kolakar, Shahanoyaj Kasuri alias Shahnawaz alias Shanu alias Khan alias Ishak Shaikh and Shukuruddin Sheikh was revealed and they were arrested in the case. After completion of the investigation, NIA had filed charge-sheets against all six arrested accused persons," the officer added.

The investigation revealed the smuggling of fake currency notes from across the Indo-Bangladesh border by Shukuruddin and Shariful Islam, who had received the counterfeit currency from two Bangladeshi nationals -- Saddam Sekh and Hakim Sekh.

The trial against the remaining three charge-sheeted accused is continuing and the investigation against the absconding accused Saddam Sekh and Hakim Sekh along with the Indian fugitive Sariful Islam continues, the officer added.

Notice to Centre over panel on river, hydel projects

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THE Karnataka High Court on Thursday issued notice to the Centre on a PIL questioning the improper constitution of the Experts Appraisal Committee for river valley and hydroelectric projects.

Hearing a petition in which the petitioner has also sought writ of quo-warranto against the chairman and members of the committee, a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty issued notice to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Questioning the notification dated July 13, 2020 issued by the Union government to constitute the committee, the petitioner, United Conservation Movement Charitable Welfare Trust, contended that the notification was ultra vires as it created a new category of Member known as 'non-official' member.

Advocate Prince Isaac, representing the petitioner, argued that the chairman and the committee members do not meet the prescribed statutory qualifications. Further, he argued that, as there would be a flurry of applications from various sectors for prior environment clearance for the construction of new projects or expansion or modernisation of existing ones, a direction be issued to the ministry to constitute the committee properly and select qualified members by issuing a public notice in the media.

CRIME PATROL

Burglar arrested, booty worth ₹55 lakh recovered

Bengaluru : Officials of the Central Crime Branch (CCB) on Thursday arrested a 25-year-old notorious thief and recovered stolen valuables worth ₹55 lakh from his possession. The accused has been identified as Ravishankar, a resident of KS Layout. A senior police officer said that Ravishankar was arrested based on a tip. He was involved in seven house breaks in a span of one month. Ravishankar has been taken into police custody. **ENS**

Labourer who was harassing woman, found dead

Bengaluru: The body of a 25-year-old labourer, who was allegedly bludgeoned to death by his friends in Banasawadi recently, was found by passersby on a footpath on Thursday. The victim had been missing since November 29. The deceased, Raja Dorai, was a labourer at a vegetable market. A preliminary probe revealed that Dorai had been harassing a woman at his workplace. She complained to her kin, who warned Dorai several times but to no avail. **ENS**

Civic polls not held: High Court takes up suo motu PIL

ENS @Bengaluru

THE High Court on Thursday initiated a suo motu PIL over polls not being held to the municipal corporations and municipalities in the state.

Observing it is not only necessary but also the duty of the HC to ensure that the constitutional mandate is adhered to, a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty directed the Registrar General to initiate a suo motu PIL.

The bench also directed the Registrar General to make the state government and the SEC parties in the petition and post it for hearing on December 17.

During the hearing of PILs relating to Vijayapura municipal corporation, when senior counsel K N Phanindra, representing SEC, pointed out that that the elections are yet to be held to the Kalaburagi corporation and Bidar municipality, the bench passed the order.

EXPRESS READ

Patwari is Principal Chief Commissioner for I-T

Bengaluru : Dinesh Chandra Patwari has taken charge as the new Principal Chief Commissioner, Income Tax, Karnataka & Goa region. An IRS officer of the 1986 batch, Patwari was earlier the Director General of Income Tax (Investigation), Tamil Nadu and Puducherry, which he is now holding as an additional charge.

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Appendix – IV-A
[See Proviso to rule 8(6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-auction SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSET UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO Rule 8 (6) of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers, that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured creditor, constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis on **30.12.2020** for recovery of **Rs.10,82,337/-** (Rupees Ten Lakhs Eighty two Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Seven only) as on 04.12.2020 + interest + expenses and costs, due to State Bank of India, Secured creditor from **Sri.Ranganath H.D** (Borrower).
The reserve price, earnest money deposit bid increment amount and last date for receipt of EMD will be as under:-

Property No.	Reserve Price (below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid increment amount	Last date for receipt of EMD
1.	Rs. 12,48,000/-	Rs. 1,24,800/-	Rs. 10,000/-	28.12.2020

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI/BSK3/EA/01/2020-21
Property No. 1 – (Title deed holder: Sri.Ranganath H.D)
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.250, Khatha No.591 in Survey No.56/1 and 55/4 situated at Pillahally Village, DasanapuraHobli, Bengaluru North Taluk known as "KANVA GARDEN CITY" measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 sq.feet and bounded on, East by :Site No.227, West by: 30 feet Road, North by: Site No.251 and South by :Site No.249.

To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said property. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in www.sbi.co.in, https://bankeauctions.com

Date: 11.12.2020
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India,
Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru

STATE BANK OF INDIA
ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH

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The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit and bid increment amount and last date for receipt of EMD will be as under:-

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount	Last Date for Submission of EMD
1.	Rs.38,40,000/-	Rs.3,84,000/-	Rs.50,000/-	29.12.2020

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI/ARMB/RK/002
(Title deed holder: Shri Balakrishna Raju G)
All that piece and parcel of the vacant Residential site bearing katha No. 53/41 situated at 11, "B" Cross, Jalahalli, village, Yashwanthpur Range, Bengaluru assigned with Ward No. 1, Ward Name: HMT Bengaluru with unique PID No. 1-11-11 standing in the name of **Shri Balakrishna Raju G** measuring 1350 Sq.ft. and bounded by East : Shri Karadi Bachanna's property passage and Sonnammanni's property, West : Road, North : Anjanappa's property and South : Byanna's property

To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on any of the above said properties. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in www.sbi.co.in i.e., https://bankeauctions.com.

Date: 05.12.2020
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India
ARMB, Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

(LOSS OF 7TH PAGE OF ORIGINAL SALE DEED)

It is informed to the public that my client **V. VENKATARAMANA**, aged about 35 years, S/o. Mr. Veerappa, residing at No. 23, Gangadhara Nilaya, 1st Cross, 2nd Block, Akshya Nagar, Ramamurthynagar, Bangalore-560016, has sworn to an Affidavit before me and filed a complaint with police, for having lost 7th page of his father in law Mr. A. Dhananjaya original Absolute Sale Deed Document No. KRI-1-17598-2004-05, CD NO KRID72, dated. 23.09.2004, while making Xerox of the same and not to be traced.

The finders of above 7th page of the original document are requested to return the same to my below mentioned address within 7 days.

Sd/- **K.B. SADHA SHIVAPPA,**
Advocate & Notary,
Office at No: 300/2, Near Sri Ram Hospital, Opp: traffic Police Station, Old Madras Road, K.R.Puram, BANGALORE-560 036.
Mobile : 9845460976/ 9844078760
Date: 09-12-2020 Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client Sri. S.S. Selvaraj, L.3, Housing Board Quarters, Budhamur, Virudhachalem, Cuddalore District-606 001, Tamil Nadu, is the absolute owner in possession and enjoyment of the schedule properties and one Mrs. S. Shivashakthi, W/o Late Sarachandan, aged about 37 years, residing at No. 23, Kamatchi Amman Koil Street, Madhinanagar, Parangipettai-608 502, Chidhambaram Taluk, Cuddalore District, Tamilnadu has executed necessary documents / title deeds in favour of my client in respect of the schedule properties. My client submits that one Mysore Venkataswamy Chettiar's family members and their legal heirs have no right, title or interest over the schedule properties and the documents executed by them does not have any legal entity or sanctity in the eye of law in respect of the schedule properties and the General Public are hereby warned not to deal with the schedule properties with the above said persons or parties, and if inspite of this notice, if anyone enters into any transaction with the said persons, they shall be doing so at their own costs and risks.

SCHEDULE

Item No. 1: All that piece and parcel of immoveable property bearing Municipal No.1 and 1/1 (Sy.Nos. 102 and 103), carved out of old Sy.Nos. 85 and 86, Ward No.81, Patta No.34, totally measuring 79,619 sq.ft and 21,152 sq.ft, situated at Munivenkatappa Garden, Dhobhi Ghat Road, Ulsoor, Bangalore.

Item No. 2: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Municipal No. 11/24, New No. 20, situated at Cleveland Town, New Kumabara Shole, Bangalore, and approximately measuring 56,000 sq.ft.

Item No. 3: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Municipal 38, situated at Victoria Road, Bangalore-560 047, and measuring on North : 263 ft., on the South: 282 feet, on the East 183 ft. and on the West : 167 feet.

Item No. 4: All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Survey No. 1 to 169, situated at Kayam Gutta Byalakhare Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring an extent of 910 acres.

Item No. 5: All that piece and parcel of the land Municipal No. 36, situated at North by: South Parae Road, Now M.G. Road, Bangalore - 560 025, measuring on the North : 215 feet, on the South 224 feet, on the East 430 feet and on the West : 390 feet.

V. CHANDRASHEKARA, Advocate
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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If anyone finds it, kindly contact me at 9283145424 within 15 days from the date of issue of this Ad.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that My client **Mr.Tippeswami Sannappa** Residing at No.20, Hitha Nilaya, 1st Cross, Soap Factory Layout, Manjunathanagara, Nagasandra Pst, Bangalore-560073, hereby informs that, the original Rectification Deed dated 12.07.1993 bearing Doc.No.3733/93-94, Book-I, Volume 4982 registered on 15.07.1993 in office of the Sub-Registrar Bangalore North Taluk which have been lost/misplaced and is not in a position to trace the said original documents. My client has also lodged a police complaint Acknowledgement dated 09.12.2020 before the Bagalgunte Police Station. Any person/s in possession of the aforesaid document may return the same to us or anyone having any sort of claim over the said property may lodge their objections in writing within 7 days from this day to the undersigned.

Sd/-
Karthik.S.Rao.B
Advocate,
No.10, Second Floor,
Car Street,Halasuru,
Bangalore-560 008

Date:10.12.2020
Place:-Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client intends to Purchase the immovable property being the residential Vacant Site bearing New No.13, Old No.36 (Revised as No.20), BBMP PID No.5-16-13 formed by the Bangalore Development Authority in Gayathri Devi Park Extension Bangalore, Situated at 2nd Main Road, Gayathri Devi Park Extension, Ward No.65-Kadumalleshwara, Bengaluru, totally Site measuring 1350 Sq. Ft., Presently within the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, which is morefully mentioned and described in the Schedule herein below from its present Owner Mr. B.L. KESHAVARAJU S/o C.L. Lakshmana Raju, Residing at #14, 'A' Cross, Pipe Line Malleshwaram, VTC, BENGALURU-560 003.

Any person or persons asserting any rights, title, interest or claim in the Schedule Property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property and documents thereof, against the owner or objecting to such Sale in favour of my client/s should lodge the claims with the undersigned within Fourteen **(14)** days of the issuance of this Public Notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regard to the schedule property or any part thereof, after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature in respect of the schedule property and proceed with the proposed Sale Transaction.

SCHEDULE

All that Piece and Parcel of the immovable property being residential vacant site bearing New No.13, Old No.36 (Revised as No.20), BBMP PID No.5-16-13, formed by the Bangalore Development Authority in Gayathri Devi Park Extension Bangalore, Situated at 2nd Main Road, Gayathri Devi Park Extension, Ward No.65-Kadu malleshwara, BENGALURU, Presently within the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike including all rights, title and appurtenances and the Site measuring: East to West : 30 Feet, North to South : 45 Feet, Totally Measuring : 1350 sq. Ft. And bounded as follows:

East by : Property bearing No.35
West by : Road
North by : Property bearing No.37 and
South by : Road.

C. S. RAVISHANKAR, Advocate
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BANGALORE- 560 080. Ph. 2361 0631.
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IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C. AT HOSKOTE
C.Miss No. 265/2020

BETWEEN: 1) Smt. MUNISADAMMA, W/o Late Thanappa, aged about 65 years, **2. Smt. YELLAMMA,** D/o Late Thanappa, aged about 48 years, **3) Smt. NAGAMMA,** D/o Late Thanappa, aged about 46 years, **4) Sri. MUNIKRISHNA,** S/o Late Thanappa, aged about 42 years, All are R/at Mallasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District **...Petitioner**

AND: The Tahashildar, Hoskote Taluk, Hoskote **...Respondent**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioners have filed the above petition seeking the direction to the respondent for issuance of death certificate of **THANAPPA S/o Late Chikka Papaiah was died on 04.08.1985** in the house at Mallasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, who is husband of petitioner No.1 and father of the respondent 2 to 4. The case is posted for appearance of interested parties/publics on **21.01.2021 at 11.00 AM** before the above said court. Hence, interested parties are hereby required ro appear in person/pleader/advocate at **11.00 AM** before the Principal Civil Judge and JMFC at Hoskote. Failing which the above case will be disposed as exparte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 04.12.2020.

By Order of the Court, Sheristedar, Civil Judge, And JMFC Hoskote.

Advocate for the Petitioners: **SRILAKSHMI**
Hoskote Town-562114, Bengaluru Ruiral District.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is intending to purchase the Properties Situated at Godlamuddenahalli Village, Vijayapura Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, bearing Sy. No. 5/2 measuring 1 Acre 16 ½ Guntas (16.08)and Sy. No. 4/6 measuring 3 ½ Guntas (0.03.08) from its owner Sri.S.Mahesh, S/o Sri N. Srinivasa Reddy, residing at No. 34, 2nd Cross, Anjaneya Nagar, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085.

Any person/s having any manner of right/s, claim/s, charge/s, objection/s against the under mentioned schedule property in any manner affecting rights of the schedule property may file objection/s before the undersigned advocate within **15 days** from the date of publication of this notice along with documentary proof in support of the same, failing which my client shall proceed to purchase the schedule property and he will complete the transition. No claim shall be entertained thereafter.

Sri H.V. Ramachandra Reddy,
Advocate,
No. 2DC-110, 'Nanda Gokula', 2D Cross,
OMBR Layout, Bengaluru- 560043.
Mobile No.9480511638

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is desirous of Purchasing Property being residential vacant site bearing No.1, BBMP Khatha No.721/1313/141/1, situated at Hanumaiah layout, Kodigehalli Extension, Ward No 8,Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk Bangalore – 560 091, which is detailed in the Schedule hereunder from Sri N. Puttaraju S/o Nanjegowda, representing that he is the absolute owner of the said Property.

Any person/s asserting any right, title or claim in the Schedule Property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the Schedule Property or the documents there of or against the owner or objections to such sale in favour of my client should write to the Undersigned with in **"SEVEN DAYS"** of the issuance of this Public Notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regards to the Schedule Property or any part there of after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Property being residential vacant site bearing No.1, BBMP Khatha No. 721/1313/141/1, situated at Hanumaiah layout, Kodigehalli Extension, Ward No. 8, Yelahanka Hobli,Bangalore North Taluk Bangalore-560 054, measuring East to West: Northern Side 31-6.,Southern Side 41.6 ft. And North to South: Eastern Side 38 feet. Western Side 36 ft totally measuring 1354.2 square feet and bounded on:- **East by:** Channappa property, **West by:** Railway Line, **North by:** 25 feet Road and **South by:** Ramkrishnappa Property.

N. Bhargav and Gogi, Advocates
No.54, First floor, 80 feet road,
RMV 2nd Stage, Devasandra,
Bangalore-560 094. Ph: 9845304579

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 36th ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C. Mis. No. 5424/2020
PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner Shyamala and others has filed petition for obtaining an order seeking direction to above said respondent authority to enter the Death of all the petitioners father named as **R. Saimual S/o Polaiah,** who died on 04-05-2015 died at No. 146, C. Colony, Marti Town, Bengaluru - 560 008 and accordingly obtain death certificate from the respondent.

If any person interested to file their objection in this matter, may appear at 11.00 am on **11-12-2020** to which date the case is posted for hearing, before the Hon'ble 36th ACMM in C. MIS. No. 5424/2020.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Sumathi**

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF JUDICIAL METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE COURT, BANGALORE RURAL AT BANGALORE C.Misc.No 434/2020

BETWEEN: Gangadhar, Aged about 46 years, S/o Late Muniyappa, Residing at Kurudusonnenahalli village,Vergonagar Post Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore-49 : Petitioner

AND: The Registrar of Births & Deaths, Tahsildar Bangalore East Taluk, Krishnarajapuram, Bangalore : Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is to inform to the Public in general, the above Petitioner elder sister Sri Late **SMT MUNIVENKATAMMA** died on 23-09-2013 in Kurudusonnenahalli Village Vergonagar Post. Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore-560049 at her home due to Old Age, and the same was not registered in the Respondent's Office. The Petitioner M. Gangadhar (Deceased's Brother) has filed a Petition under Section-13(3) of KARNATAKA BIRTHS AND DEATHS ACT 1969, before the Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court Bangalore Rural District, at Bangalore. FOR THE DEATH CERTIFICATE IN **CRL MIS.NO.434/2020,** incase if any objection is there from any person may appear before this Hon'ble Court on the said date 14.12.2020 at 11.00. A.M, either in person or through Counsel duly instricted.

Failing which the above case will be heard and determined in your absence placing You as Ex-parte.

Giving under my hand and seal of this Court on this 4th day of 12. 2020 Bangalore

BY ORDER OF THE COURT Sd/- Sheristedar
Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, B'lore Rural District.
Bangalore, Date: 4.12.2020

BEFORE THE HON'BLE XXII ADDL.CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE
C. Mis. No. 5336 of 2019

Between: 1) Hyder S/o Late Khalak Sab, aged about 43 years, Grand Son Late Mahaboobi, **2) Hussain Sab,** S/o Mahaboobi & Khadar Sab, aged about 79 years, **3) Allabakash,** S/o Hussain Sab, aged about 55 years, **4) Fakrodhin,** S/o Hussain Sab, aged about 42 years, **5) Mr. Chand Pasha,** S/o Hussain Sab, aged about 40 years, **6) Azeez,** S/o Hussain Sab, aged about 38 years, **7) Mr. G. Babu,** S/o Late Gouspeer, Grand Son of Mahaboobi & Khadar sab, aged about 48 years, **8) Mr. Allabakash,** S/o Late Anwar, aged about 40 years, **9) Mr. Sadiq Pasha,** S/o Late Anwar, aged about 36 years, **10) Mr. Ghousepeer,** S/o Late Anwar, aged about 31 years, **11) Mr. Shabeer Pasha,** S/o late Anwar, aged about 30 years, **12. Mr. Sultan Basha,** S/o Late Anwar, aged about 29 years, All are residing at No. 28, Modi Road, "C" Cross, Arabic College Post, D.J. Halli, Bangalore-560045, And all are Represented by their GPA Holder Mr. G. Babu, S/o Late Ghousepeer, Grand Son of Mahaboobi & Khadar sab, aged about 48 years, R/at No. 545, 9th Cross, Doddakenchappa Layout, Yelumandemma Block, S.S.A. Road, Cholanayakanahalli, R.T. Nagar Post, Bangalore-560032. ... **Petitioners**

AND: The Registrar of Births and Deaths, BBMP, Byatarayanapura, Yelahanka Zone, Bangalore-560092. ... **Respondent**

Whereas the above named Petitioners have presented the above petition to this Hon'ble court Under Sec. 13(3) of Registration of Births and Deaths Act 1969. for an order direct the Respondent Authority to get enter the Date of Death of the **petitioners mother/Grand by name Smt. Mahaboobi W/o. Khadar @ Hajisab, who died on 10-1-1990** at the Residential Place of the petitioners at No.28, Modi Road, "C" Cross," Arabic College Post, D.J. Halli, Bangalore-560045, and Order to issue Death Certificate of their Mother. The Hon'ble court has fixed the Hearing Date of the above case on **17-12-2020** at 11 A.M for hearing of the petition and that if any person/s desire to oppose the said claim of the petitioners or having any interest shall appear before this Hon'ble court of XXIInd Addl Chief Metropolitan Magistrate at Bangalore, in person or by pleader duly instructed on the said hearing date, failing which the said application will be heard and determined as Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the court on 08-12-2020.

By order of the Court, Shirestedar, XXII ACMM Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Petitioner: **B. Chandrasekhar,**
No. 192, 4th "B" Cross, Jakkur Layout,
Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore-560064.
Ph. 9448066123

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PRO/AAM(M)/81/2020. **GENERAL MANAGER**

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

I, Mrs. Devika Prasanna Kumar, residing at Bangalore would like to inform the General Public that I have misplaced my Original Sale Deed document bearing No. BNG (U) ANKL SR/D no. 1802/2002-03 dated 21st Jun 2002, registered at Sub-Registrar office, Anekal, along with the related papers, pertaining to my site at Kadujakkanahalli, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, while travelling in an auto from Shivajinagar, on 4th December 2020 at around 10.00am. A Police complaint has been lodged in this regard complaint No.BLR202012092. Finder may kindly

Contact me at +91 98865 35977.

IN THE HON'BLE XXXIII ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE, MAHOHALL BANGALORE
C. Mis. No. 50420/2020

Petitioner: Sri Manjunath .S.V, S/o Venkatappa, aged about 50 years, R/a No. 138/262, 10th Cross, Ganesha Temple, Near Yamaluru, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037.

And: Respondent: 1. The Commissioner, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore. **2. The Registrar of Birth and Death,** Mahadevapura, Bangalore-560048.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above named Petitioner has filed the above Petition under Section Under Section 13(3) of Registration of Births and Deaths Act 1969 for seeking direction to the respondent authorities to issue death certificate of his **Grand Father by name Maddurappa S/o Guddappa** who died on **18-08-1973** in Petitioner's house and the Hon'ble Court has posted the above petition on **23-12-2020** for hearing of the petition and that if any person/s desire to oppose the said Petition or Claim or Interest shall appear before the Hon'ble Court in person or by pleader duly insturcted at 11am failing which the above said petition will be heard disposed exparte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 05-12-2020.

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, XXXIII A.C.M.M Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Petitioner: **M.M. PRASHANTHA**
No. 4, Basement floor, No. 39/2, ASVNV Bhavana,
K.G. Road, Bangalore-560009. Mob: 98455 08550

IN THE HON'BLE XXXIII ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE, MAHOHALL BANGALORE
C. Mis. No. 50421/2020

Petitioner: Sri Manjunath .S.V, S/o Venkatappa, aged about 50 years, R/a No. 138/262, 10th Cross, Ganesha Temple, Near Yamaluru, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037.

And: Respondent: 1. The Commissioner, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore. **2. The Registrar of Birth and Death,** Mahadevapura, Bangalore-560048.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above named Petitioner has filed the above Petition under Section Under Section 13(3) of Registration of Births and Deaths Act 1969 for seeking direction to the respondent authorities to issue death certificate of his **Grand Mother by name Muniyellamma @ Yellamma W/o Late Maddurappa** who died on **15-11-1970** in Petitioner's house and the Hon'ble Court has posted the above petition on **23-12-2020** for hearing of the petition and that if any person/s desire to oppose the said Petition or Claim or Interest shall appear before the Hon'ble Court in person or by pleader duly insturcted at 11am failing which the above said petition will be heard disposed exparte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 05-12-2020.

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, XXXIII A.C.M.M Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Petitioner: **M.M. PRASHANTHA**
No. 4, Basement floor, No. 39/2, ASVNV Bhavana,
K.G. Road, Bangalore-560009. Mob: 98455 08550

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 36th ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C. Mis. No. 5279/2020
PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner Farheen and others has filed petition for obtaining an order seeking direction to above said respondent authority to enter the Death of the first petitioner husband and other petitioners father named as **Javeed Iqbal S/o Late Munawaruddin,** died at Nanjappa Colony, A.C. Post, Nagawara, Bengaluru -560 045 and accordingly obtain death certificate from the respondent.

If any person interested to file their objection in this matter, may appear at 11.00 am on **11-12-2020** to which date the case is posted for hearing, before the Hon'ble 36th ACMM in C. MIS. No. 5279/2020.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Sumathi**

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 36th ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C. Mis. No. 5427/2020
PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner Padma and others has filed petition for obtaining an order seeking direction to above said respondent authority to enter the Death of the first petitioner husband and other petitioners father named as **Anantha S/o Late Subbaiah,** who died on 07-12-1993 died at No. 365, Ashnwath Nagar, Marathahalli, Bengaluru-560037 and accordingly obtain death certificate from the respondent.

If any person interested to file their objection in this matter, may appear at 11.00 am on **11-12-2020** to which date the case is posted for hearing, before the Hon'ble 36th ACMM in C. MIS. No. 5427/2020.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Sumathi**

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that Certificate Nos 67810 and 392933 bearing Distinctive Nos 3217132 – 3217381 and 582414653 – 582415152 for 250 Equity Shares and 500 Equity Shares respectively of Larsen & Toubro Limited standing in the name (s) of Ampat Thomas Kurien and Mathew Shaw Kurien have been lost or mislaid and the undersigned has applied to the Company to issue duplicate Certificate(s) for the said shares. Any person who has any claim in respect of the said shares should write to our Registrar, **KFin Technologies Private Limited,** Selenium Tower B, Plot 31-32, Gachibowli, Financial District,Hyderabad-500032 within one month from this date else the company will proceed to issue duplicate Certificate(s).

Mathew Shaw Kurien
6122 Mahogany Avenue,
Westminster California, 92683, U.S.A.
Date10-12-2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that, our clients have proposed to purchase the Schedule property mentioned hereunder from its present owner **SRI.RAMLAL.** Person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right, share, title and interest in the Schedule property may lodge their objections/claims with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence within 7 **days** from this day of publication and any objection/claims received thereafter will not be binding on our clients and our clients will proceed to purchase the below mentioned Schedule property as if there are no claims/objections.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of an immovable residential property bearing Municipal Corporation No.65 (P.I.D.No.02-1-65) Site bearing No.5/3 in Sy.No.24 of Jalahalli Village) Situated **at 1st Main Road, Muthyalanagar,** BBMP Ward No.2, measuring East to West (24-0 + 33-0)/2 feet and North to South (54-0 + 48-0)/2 Feet, totally measuring **1453.50 Sq.Ft.** and bounded on: **East by : Sri Sadashiva's Property, West by : Private Property, North by : Sri Gopal's Property, South by: Road.**

V.S.Rai & Associates, LAW FIRM
No.23,"Venkatadri" 6th Main,
5th Cross, S.R.Nagar, Bangalore-27.
Mob:98441 55041.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Clients Mrs. Annapoornamma, W/o Late T.S. Chandrasekhar and Mr. C. Mahesh, S/o Late T.S. Chandrasekhar, both residents of # 41, 9th "B" Cross, West of Chord Road, 2nd Stage, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bangalore-560 086, being the absolute co-owners of the property bearing Corporation No.41, PID No.14-74-41 (formerly bearing then CITB Site No.41, West of Chord Road, II Stage, Bangalore), situated at West of Chord Road, Basaveshwara Nagar, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, Ward No.14, Nagapura Sub Division, within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, together with the building thereon have represented that the below mentioned Original Documents pertaining to the above mentioned property have been lost/misplaced and the same are not traceable.

a. Allotment Letter dated 26.05.1972 issued by Bangalore City Improvement Trust Board in favour of Mr. L.H. Rangaswamy, S/o Mr. Huchaiah.
b. Possession Memo dated 12.04.1973, PR No. 6/1973-74 issued by Bangalore City Improvement Trust Board in favour of Mr. L.H. Rangaswamy.
c. Conditional Sale Deed dated 07.06.1980, document No.1235/1980-81, Book I, Volume 87, Pages 97 to 198 and registered at the office of the Sub Registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore executed by then the City of Bangalore Improvement Trust Board in favour of Mr. L.H. Rangaswamy.
d. Sale Deed dated 29.08.1980, document No.2633/1980-81, Book I, Volume 414, Pages 188 to 192 and registered at the office of the Sub Registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore executed by Mr. L.H. Rangaswamy in favour of Mrs. Annapuranamma W/o Late T.S. Chandrasekhar.

It is further represented that the above said Original Documents have not been pledged/mortgaged and no lien/charge have been created on the lost documents.

Any person/s holding the said Original Documents are requested to return the same to the undersigned or to our clients within 7 days from the date of this notice, since except our clients no other person/s are entitled to hold the custody of the above referred Original Documents.

N. JAIPRAKASH RAO, VEENA RAO ,N.ASHOK KUMAR
JAYPEE ASSOCIATES, "LAW FIRM"
38, "KRISHNA", 1st Cross,
Malleswaram, BANGALORE-3.
PH : 23560365, 23468742, 23565286
Email: contact@jaypeeassociates.com
Place: Bangalore Date: 11.12.2020

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DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I,
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
MINISTRY OF FINANCIAL SERVICES,
Jeevan Mangal Building, (2nd) Floor, No-4, Residency Road, Bangalore - 560 025

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION
TRC.No.342/2017 IN O.A.No.457/2000

Between: HDFC BANK LTD., **VS**
M/s. Dr.B.M.Thippeswamy Memorial Educational Institutions and Others,

To,
1. Dr.B.M.Thippeswamy Memorial Educational Institutions,
103, 6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020.
2. Dr.B.M.Thippeswamy, #103, 6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020.

Represented by Legal Heirs:
Smt B M Pushpalatha, W/o Late B.M.Thippeswamy
R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building, 1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension,Chitradurga - 577501
Sri. B M Rahul, S/o Late B.M.Thippeswamy
R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building, 1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension,Chitradurga-577501
Sri B M Nakul,
S/o.Late B.M.Thippeswamy, R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building
1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension,Chitradurga-577501
3. Smt B M Pushpalatha W/o Late B.M.Thippeswamy # 103,6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020

Between
HDFC Bank Ltd, Bangalore Branch, Bangalore. **Applicant's**

Whereas in execution of Certificate No.342/20O17 in T.A.No.761/2017 (O.A. No.457/2000), dated 13.07.2018, drawn up by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore, the under signed has ordered the sale of under mentioned immovable property.

You are hereby informed that the day on or after the fifteenth day from the date of service of this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof, you are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

SPECIFICATION OF PROPERTY
SCHEDULE PROPERTY - SCHEDULE-A

All that piece and parcel of built up area of about 3950 square feet on northern portion of land measuring about 9000 square feet out of the total land situated at property No.43, Kaneshmari No.68/326, Nagarbhavi Rond, Nagarbhavi Gramatana, Mallathahalli Gram Panchayat Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. Land measuring east to west (165+195)/2 and north to south 100 feet bounded on the

East By : Remaining Site of Shri Kempaiah,
West By : 80 Feet Nagarbhavi Main Road;
North By : Building of Sri Ramachandra:
South By : Property sold to Smt.B.M.Pushpalatha

SCHEDULE-B

All that piece and parcel of built up area of about 3427.50 square feet on northern portion of land measuring about 9000 square feet out of the total land situated at property No.43, Kaneshmari No.68/326, Nagarbhavi Road, Nagarbhavi Gramatana, Mallathahalli Gram Panchayat, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. Land measuring east to west (165+195)/2 and north to south 100 feet bounded on the

East By : Remaining Site of Shri Kempaiah,
West By : 80 Feet Nagarbhavi Main Road;
North By : Remaining Portion of Sri B.T.Mallikarjuna;
South By : Remaining Portion of Sri. Kempaiah

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on 13th date of November 2020.

(K RAMESH)
RECOVERY OFFICER-I
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2

FORM NO-16 [See Regulations 34(3)]
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I,
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
MINISTRY OF FINANCIAL SERVICES,
Jeevan Mangal Building,
(2nd) Floor, No-4, Residency Road, Bangalore-560 025

PROEEDINGS BEFORE THE RECOVERY OFFICER-1,DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2, BANGALORE
WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
(See Section 25 to 28 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks & Other Financial Institutions Act,1993 r/w Rule 4 and 48-51 of the II schedule to the Income Tax Act)

TRC. NO. 342/2017
In
O.A. 457/2000

Between: HDFC BANK LTD., VS
M/s Dr.B.M.Thippeswamy Memorial Educational Institutions And Others,

To,
1. Dr.B.M.Thippeswamy Memorial Educational Institutions,
#103, 6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020.
2. Dr.B.M.Thippeswamy, #103, 6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020.

Represented by Legal Heirs:
Smt B M Pushpalatha, W/o Late B.M.Thippeswamy
R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building, 1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension,Chitradurga-577501
Sri.B M Rahul, S/o Late B.M.Thippeswamy
R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building,1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension,Chitradurga-577501
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R/a 6th Cross, Subbareddy Building, 1st Floor, Behind PVS Nursing Home, JCR Extension,Chitradurga-577501
3. Smt B M Pushpalatha, W/o Late B.M.Thippeswamy
#103, 6th Cross, Kumara Krupa West, Bangalore-560 020.

To,
Sri. Srivathsan Varadhan, Senior Manager, HDFC Bank Ltd, Bangalore

Whereas the above named Certificate Debtors were ordered by the Recovery Certificate of this Tribunal passed in TRC.No.342/2017 in OA No.457/2000 to pay to the certificate holder bank, a sum of Rs.1,52,78,510/- (Rupees One Crore Fifty Two Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Ten only) along with cost, expenses and future interest @ 18.50 p.a from the date of filing OA No.457/2000 till the date of realisation, jointly and severally from the certificate debtors and whereas the said certificate debtors has not paid the said amount.

Recovery Certificate	Details
Principal	1,52,78,510/-
Interest from the application 17.10.2000 to order date 20.07.2001 18.50% p.a	21,19,893.26/-
Application Fee	
Process Fee	1,50,000/-
Advocate Fees	750/-
	7,500/-
Total	17556653.26

This is to command you to attach the immovable property of the said certificate debtor as set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed and unless they shall pay to you the above said sum and the costs of this attachment, to hold the same until further orders from the recovery officer.

You are further commanded to return the warrant on or before 15th December 2020 with an endorsement certifying the day on which and the manner in which December it has been executred or why it has not been executed.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY SCHEDULE-A

All that piece and parcel of built up area of about 3950 square feet on northern portion of land measuring about 9000 square feet out of the total land situated at property No.43, Kaneshmari No.68/326, Nagarbhavi Road, Nagarbhavi Gramatana, Mallathahalli Gram Panchayat, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. Land measuring east to west(165+195)/2 and north to south 100 feet bounded on the

East By : Remaining Site of Shri Kempaiah,
West By : 80 Feet Nagarbhavi Main Road;
North By : Building of Sri Ramachandra;
South By : Property sold to Smt.B.M.Pushpalatha

SCHEDULE-B

All that piece and parcel of built up area of about 3427.50 square feet on northern portion of land measuring about 9000 square feet out of the total land situated at property No.43, Kaneshmari No.68/326,Nagarbhavi Road, Nagarbhavi Gramatana, Mallathahalli Gram Panchayat, Bangalore North Taluk,Bangalore. Land measuring east to west (165+195)/2 and north to south 100 feet bounded on the

East By : Remaining Site of Shri Kempaiah,
West By : 80 Feet Nagarbhavi Main Road;
North By : Remaining Portion of Sri B.T. Mallikarjuna;
SouthBy : Remaining Portion of Srikempaiah

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on 13th date of November 2020.

(K RAMESH)
RECOVERY OFFICER-I
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2

Phoenix ARC Private Limited

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Sale Notice For Sale Of Immovable Properties

E-Auction Sale Notice For Sale Of Immovable Assets Under The Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 under Rule 8(5) Read with rule 8 (6)Of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002.

1. Bajaj Finance Limited (BFL) has assigned the debt in favour of **Phoenix ARC Private Limited (Acting as a trustee of Phoenix Trust FY 19-5 SCHEME I)** (Phoenix) vide assignment agreement dated **05.12.2018** and notice is hereby given to The Public in General and in particular to The Borrower (S) and Guarantor (S) That the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged To The secured creditor, The Possession of which has been taken by The Authorised Officer of Phoenix On 22.10.2019and, will be sold on "As Is Where Is", "As Is What Is", And "Whatever There Is" On **12.1.2021Between 11:30 am to 12:30 pm with unlimited extension of 5 minutes**, For Recovery Of RS. **99,40,104.46/-** (Rupees Ninety Nine Lakhs Forty Thousand One Hundred Four and Forty Six Paise Only) as of 9-12-2020 with further interest from 10-12-2020 along with all cost, charges & expense until payment in full, under the **Loan Account No.404SHL28163149, 404SHL27145600,due to PARC, secured creditor from** Smt. Bhargavi B R D/O. Mr. B.N Raghavendra & Mr. Gopal Desikan Velamoor S/O. V. Madhavan **The Reserve Price Will Be** Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Only) And **The Earnest Money Deposit Will Be** Rs. 6,00,000/-(Rupees Six Lakhs Only) & **LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF EMD WITH** KYC IS 11.1.2021 UP TO 5:00 PM (IST.)

Property Description:-All the piece and parcel of residential Apartment bearing no. 103 situated on the first floor of the building known as " GangothriParvithra Paradise", along with super built up area of 1435 Sq.ft (including common areas) and undivided share of 348 Sq. ft. in Schedule A property, with one covered car parking Slot no. 103 in the basement floor, constructed at Schedule "A" property alongwith one half part in depth of joints between the ceiling of the appartments and the floor of the space above it and internal and external walls such level as with concealed wiring with proportionate share in common access and areas of the building like entrance foyer, common corridors in all floors, staircases including landing up to the terrace, machine room, housing and lift machineries of passenger elevator alongwith necessary cabin, winches and motor etc., pump sets, houses in pump room alongwith necessary valves, starters etc., and common areas electrical system and bounded on:- East by: Site nos. 7,6,5 & 4, West by: Flat no. 104, North by: Flat no. 102 and Foyer, South by: Site no. 1 & 2

SCHEDULE- A - All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing No. 14 & 15, New no. 56, 56/1, 56/2 & 57, situated at Kadirenahalli, Bendre Nagar, Ward No. 55 of Bruh at Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, in the layout formed by Karnaka Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha Limited, Bangalore, measuring East to West: on the Northern side 35.97 meters, on the Southern side 31.08 meters and North to south 30.48 meters, in all measuring 1021.84 square meters and bounded on:- East: Site Nos. 7,6,5 & 4, West: Subramanyapura main road, North: Site no. 13, South: Site no. 1 & 2. The Borrower's Attention Is Invited To The Provisions Of Sub Section 8 Of Section 13, Of The Act, In Respect Of The Time Available, To Redeem The Secured Asset. Public in General and borrowers in particular please take notice that if in case auction scheduled herein fails for any reason whatsoever then security creditor may enforce security interest by way of sale through private treaty. This sale is subject to the lease amount payable towards the leaseholder. In case of any clarification/requirement regarding assets under sale, bidder may Contact **Mr. Rajender Dahiya (+91 8448264515), Mr. Akash Saxena (+91 8860001910) Mr. Keerthinath Shankar (+91 9742027742) and Mr. Pradeep Kumar(+91 7624983109).** For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link http://phoenixarc.co.in/saleauction.php?id=Njg4 provided in Phoenix ARC Private Limited's website i.e. www.phoenixarc.co.in and/or on https://phoenixarc.auctiontiger.net.

PLACE: BANGALORE
DATE: 11.12.2020

AUTHORIZED OFFICER, Phoenix ARC Private Limited
(acting as a Trustee of Phoenix Trust FY19-5 SCHEME I)

Indian Bank

New Tippasandra Branch, 622, 80 feet Road, 12th Main,HAL II Stage, Bangaluru 560008
Ph: 080-22958838, 22958839
Email:newtippasandra@indianbank.co.in

APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank,New tippasandra branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **28.12.2020,** for recovery of **Rs. 21,30,356/-** (Rupees Twenty one lakh thirty thousand three hundred and fifty six only) as on 30.11.2020 due to the Indian Bank, New tippasandra branch, Secured Creditor, from **Mr Arul Sampangi** S/o Rama swamy, No.33,. 1st C cross, Sakthivel Nagar, Adugodi post,Bangalore 560030. **Mrs.Arpuda Mary**,W/o Arul Sampangi,No.33,1st C Cross, Sakthivel Nagar, Adugodi post, Bangalore 560030.

The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

Detailed description of the property	All that piece and parcel of immoveable property bearing Municipal corporation No.35,Jalkanteshwara Main Road,1st Cross, Vinayaka Nagar, Bangalore, BBMP Old No.70,New no.117,Shanthinagar,PID 70-98-35 Bangalore . East to West : 15feet,North to South: 40 Feet,totally 600 Square feet with existing 8 sqaures RCC and AC sheet roofed residential building constructed with mud and bricks cement flooring with doors and windows made out of jungle wood and all civic amenties bounded as follows;East by: Site No.25,West by: Private Property
Prior encumbrance	NIL
Reserve Price	Rs.40.00 lakhs
EMd Amount	Rs.4.00 lakh
Bid incremental amount	Rs.50000/-
Date and time of e-auction	28.12.2020 : Time 11 am to 2 pm
Property ID No	IDIB000N05

Bidders are advised to visit the website (www.mstcecommerce.com) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-22901004 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com and for EMD status please contact ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: https://ibapi.in and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with https://ibapi.in and www.mstcecommerce.com.

Date : 08.12.2020 **Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Indian Bank**

Bank of India

Peenya Industrial Estate MCB,
No.488-B, VITC Model Export Park, 4th Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560 058. Phone No.080-28362553
email : bangaloremidcorp.bengaluru@bankofindia.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule-4(1)] (For movable property)

Whereas the Authorized Officer of Bank of India under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Sec 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 17.01.2020 calling upon the Borrowers/ Gurantors/Mortgagors **M/s. REDIF Precisions (India) Address: At No.9, 1st Main Road, Veerabhadreshwara nagar, Herohalli, Andrahalli Main Road, Magadi Road, Bengaluru-560091** to repay the dues mentioned in the notice being **Rs.42,01,477.54 (Rupees Fourty Two Lakhs One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Seven and Paise Fifty Four)** along with further interest, costs, expenses and monthly rests thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

2. The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic/constructive possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sec 13(4) of the said Act 2002 read with Rule 8 of said rules on this **08-12-2020.**

3. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Bank of India for an amount of **Rs.42,01,477.54** along with further interest, and costs and expenses at monthly rests thereon.

4. The borrower's attention is invited to Provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of Act 2002 in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Sl. No.	Name of Supplier	Machinery Description	Make	Year	Qty.
1)	S & T Machinery (P) Ltd.,	STM/VL/1000/STM Brand CNC Vertical Machining Centre Model-VL-1000 with Standard Accessories	VL-1000 /CNC	2017	1
2)	S & T Machinery (P) Ltd.,	(STM Brand/Kenova Set Line V345C	V345C	2017	1
3)	Raya Virra Sales	Atlas Copco Screw Compressor, Model-GX5TMFF	Atlas	2017	1
4)	Raya Virra Sales	PRE Filter		2017	1

Place: Bangalore **Sd/-,**
Date: 08-12-2020 **AUTHORISED OFFICER.**

Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited

Registered Office : 27 BKC, C 27, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400 051,
Branch Office,at Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited, Kotak House No.22, M.G.Road, Bangalore-560001

POSSESSION NOTICE
(For Immovable Property)
(As per Appendix IV read with Rule 8 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK LIMITED**, a banking company within the meaning of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 having it's Registered Office at 27BKC, C 27, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai – 400 051 and branch office at Kotak Mahendra Bank Ltd, No. 22, Kotak House, M G Road, Bangalore – 560001, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Details of the Parties along with Mortgaged Property Possession taken by the Bank, is given below:-

Name of Customer (Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s)) along Loan Account Nos	Date of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) read with rule 9 of SARFAESI Act. Along with Amount in Rs.	Description of Immovable Property taken in to Possession (As per Appendix IV read with Rule 8 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)	Date of Possession
Loan account no. BBA_WC 0612737837 (CRN 40601662) **M/s. BOSTON MATRIX LOGISTICS PVT. LTD,** Through its Director Mr. Diwakar Govindarao, No. 2301-1, "C" Block, Sahakarnagar, Near Sai Baba Temple, Bangalore – 560092.(Borrower). **2. Mr. Diwakar Govindarao,** No. 530 NTI HDCS Layout, Kodigehalli Village, Rajivgandhinagar, 2nd Phase, Bangalore – 560092. **Also at: Mr. Diwakar Govindarao, M/s Boston Matrix Logistics Pvt. Ltd,** No. 2301-1, "C" Block, Sahakarnagar, Near Sai Baba Temple, Bangalore – 560092. Also at: **Mr. Diwakar Govindarao,** No. 530, Mathrushree Krupa, 6th A Main, NTI Layout, Phase 2, Near Sahakarnagar Underpass, Rajivgandhinagar, Vidyaranyapura, Post : Bangalore – 560092 **(Co Borrower/Guarantor). 3. Mr. Kumaresh Govindarao,** No. 530, Mathrushree Krupa, 6th A Main, NTI Layout, Phase 2, Near Sahakarnagar Underpass, Rajivgandhinagar, Vidyaranyapura, Post : Bangalore – 560092. **Also at : Mr. Kumaresh Govindarao, M/s Boston Matrix Logistics Pvt. Ltd,** No. 2301-1, "C" Block, Sahakarnagar, Near Sai Baba Temple, Bangalore – 560092. Also at: Mr. Kumaresh Govindarao, No. 530 NTI HDCS Layout, Kodigehalli Village, Rajivgandhinagar, 2nd Phase, Bangalore – 560092 **(Co Borrower/Guarantor). 4. Mr. Doraiswamy Srikanth,** No. 11, New No. 92, Chennappa Garden, K R Palayan Coxton, Jeevanhalli Villagge, Near TIC, Quarters, Bangalore – 560097. Also at : Mr. Doraiswamy Srikanth, M/s Boston Matrix Logistics Pvt. Ltd, No. 2301-1, "C" Block, Sahakamagar, Near Sai Baba Temple, Bangalore – 560092 (Co Borrower/Guarantor).	Demand Notice Date:28-Jul-20 Rs.2,59,83,543.02/- (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Nine Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Five Hundred Forty Three and Paisa Zero Two Only) as on 24-07-2020	Property No. 1: All the piece and parcel of property being Property No. 530, "Mathrushree Krupa", 6th "A" Main, NTI layout, Phase – 2, Near Sahakarnagar, Railway gate, Rajivgandhinagar, Bangalore 560097, standing in the name of mr. Diwakar Govindrao measuring East to West =30 Ft. ; North to South = 40 Ft. in all measuring 1200 Sq. Ft. or 133.33 Sq. Yards and bounded below : - East : Site No. 529; South : Site No. 531; West : Road , North : Site No. 537 & 538. Together with all existing building and structures thereon and building and structures as may be erected/constructed there upon any time from/after the date of respective mortgages and all additions thereto and all fixtures and furniture's and plant and machinery attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth, both present and future. Property No. 2 : All that piece and parcel of property being Residential & Commercial Property No. 2303/1, Sahakarnagar, "C" Block, Kodigehalli, Village Byatarayanapura, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore – 560092, Standing in the name of Mr. Kumaresh G, and bounded as below : - East : Road; West : No. 2288/1; North : Society Road; South : No. 2303. Together with all existing building and structures thereon and building and structures as may be erected/constructed there upon any time from/after the date of respective mortgages and all additions thereto and all fixtures and furniture's and plant and machinery attached to the earth or permanently fastened to anything attached to the earth, both present and future.	09-Dec-2020

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said rules on the date as mentioned above in **"Date of Possession"** Colum.

The Borrowers mentioned herein above in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to charge of **KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK LIMITED**, for an amount as mention in this notice, along with future interest at contractual rate and substitute interest, incidental expenses, costs and charges etc. due w.e.f. the very next date of the status of outstanding amount date showing in the above mention details, till the date of full repayment and/ or realization. Further the borrower's attention invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Please note description of properties is as mentioned above.

Date : 09.Dec.2020, Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited**

QuoteExpress
IT ALWAYS SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE UNTIL IT'S DONE › NELSON MANDELA

C M Raveendran, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan's additional private secretary, has sought two weeks' time to appear before the ED for questioning

Covid fails to deter Kerala from voting

Second phase of local body polls registers a turnout of 76.38%; Cop, voter collapse and die during voting process

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kochi

THE Covid-19 pandemic seemed to have little impact on the local body polls as the five districts – Kottayam, Ernakulam, Thrissur, Palakkad and Wayanad – that went to the polls in the second phase on Thursday registered a higher turnout of 76.38 per cent than the 73.12 percent recorded in the first phase. The elections were held under strict Covid safety protocol.

As per the official figures of the State Election Commission issued at 8pm, Wayanad recorded the highest turnout at 79.46 per cent, while Kottayam recorded the lowest at 73.91 per cent.

97-year-old Gouri is brought to a polling station by her relatives to cast her vote in the local body polls in Paravoor, Ernakulam, on Thursday | ARUN ANGELA

Voters' response was lukewarm in Kochi and Thrissur corporations, with a turnout of only 62.01 per cent and 63.77 per cent, respectively. As in the first phase, the second phase of the polls saw brisk polling in rural areas and low voter turnout in urban areas.

However, the overall turnout in the five districts this time was lower than the 2015 local body polls, when 78.74 per cent voters had exercised their franchise. Kochi Corporation witnessed a seven per cent drop in polling percentage this time from 69.62 in 2015, while polling percentage in Thrissur Corporation dropped eight points this time from 71.88 in 2015.

Complaints of bogus voting were reported at a few booths in Kottayam and Ernakulam districts. A police officer and a woman voter collapsed and died during voting in Wayanad.

Mammootty goes missing

Actor Mammootty failed to vote for the elections to Kochi Corporation on Thursday as his name was missing from the voter's list. Mammoootty, who lives at Panampilly Nagar in Kochi and used to vote in all the elections despite his busy schedule, came to know about it only on Wednesday. Local leaders said the actor recently shifted to a new house at Kadavanthara and this could be why his name was deleted from the Panampilly Nagar list.

CLOSURE FINALLY?

Sr Abhaya case: Court to deliver verdict on Dec 22

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @T'Puram

THE CBI Special Court here will pronounce the verdict in the sensational Abhaya murder case on December 22 after the arguments were completed on Thursday. The trial had begun in August 2019 --- 27 years after the teenaged nun was found dead in the well of Pius X Convent in Kottayam.

The CBI charge was that Abhaya was murdered by priests Thomas Kottoor, Jose Puthrukayil and Sister Sephy after she chanced upon the trio in a compromising position in the convent.

The agency's chargesheet said Sister Sephy bludgeoned Abhaya thrice with an axe and dumped her in the well with the help of the priests. However, Jose was later discharged by the CBI Court for want of evidence.

Abhaya's is one of the oldest pending criminal cases in the state and it has always been in the limelight due to the contradictory versions of various agencies, allegations of corruption and involvement of the church and political elements to sabotage the probe and protracted legal battles.

The footage of the narco analysis done on the accused, where they were seen confessing to the crime, was leaked to the media, kicking up a storm.

The mysterious death of former ASI V V Augustine, who did Abhaya's inquest, gave further notoriety to the case but it later turned out to be a case of suicide.

The CBI filed the chargesheet in 2009, but it took another 10 years to commence the trial. The accused had moved the High Court pleading to defer the trial citing Covid-related reasons, but the court declined it.

ALTERNATIVE HEALING

47% favour AYUSH doctors performing surgeries, says study

CHETANA BELAGERE @Bengaluru

A STUDY has found that 47% of the people surveyed support allowing AYUSH doctors to conduct surgeries. The shortage of allopathic doctors in rural and Tier-III cities is cited as a reason for support to the move allowing AYUSH practitioners to also perform surgery. "Of the 11,261 responses, 47% of citizens supported the government notification," found the study by LocalCircles.

This comes even while the Indian Medical Association is seeking the withdrawal of the recent notification of the Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM) in this regard. IMA has taken a strong exception to what they've described as "mixology or mixopathy".

As per the study, conducted across 303 districts in India, respondents said, "AYUSH doctors are anyway manning ICUs and General wards in many hospitals, especially in smaller towns and rural areas, and have learned such skills with hands-on experience."

The survey also asked the respondents if these doctors can be allowed to use antibiotics and anaesthesia. To this, 35% of citizens said AYUSH doctors shouldn't be allowed to perform surgeries in the first place, 27% said, "Let them use whatever they want to", 20% said "Ayush-based", 13% said "Allopathy-based".

The citizens have made several suggestions, including seeking citizen consultation in permitting AYUSH doctors to perform these general and ENT surgeries but making it mandatory for them to fully disclose their qualifications to patients.

Meanwhile, some doctors from Bengaluru claim that shortage of trained government doctors in rural areas is a constant challenge. "There is a severe crunch of specialist doctors, including surgeons, with 81.8% positions lying vacant in government community health centres," said a senior doctor when *TNIE* asked about the study results.

He said, "At the same time, hoping trained Ayurveda specialists could fill this gap might not work. A 2016 WHO report found that each category of healthcare worker – except traditional and faith healers – prefer to practise in urban areas, where only about 35% of India's population lives. So even if Ayurveda practitioners and IMA doctors reach a consensus, the problem of 65% of India's residents being unable to access trained doctors would still exist."

Andhra illness: Number of cases down to 54

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Vijayawada

THE number of mystery illness cases in Eluru of West Godavari district has decreased significantly. By Thursday evening, 611 cases of unknown disease were reported. Of the total, 556 patients were discharged from hospitals. Except for the death of a 45-year-old man on Sunday, there has been no increase in the number of fatalities.

Speaking to TNIE, Eluru Government General Hospital Superintendent AVR Mohan said, "At present, only 31 patients with symptoms of unknown illness are undergoing treatment. Only 13 new cases with symptoms of nausea and convulsions were admitted to the GGH from Wednesday midnight to Thursday evening. The total number of inpatients, including those undergoing treatment in Vijayawada, is 54 now."

People suffering from the mystery illness being treated at a hospital in Vijayawada on Thursday | PRASANT MADUGULA

Deputy Chief Minister Alla Kali Krishna Srinivas said they laid emphasis on providing treatment to those who fell ill, besides monitoring the health of the discharged patients. Reports of tests from various institutions pertaining to the cause of the unknown illness, are expected by Friday evening.

OBITUARY

TNIE staffer dies after accident

Vijayarangan S, Junior Press Supervisor of The New Indian Express who was working with the newspaper's Bommasandra press, passed away on Thursday morning after a tragic accident on December 5. He was 45. He was undergoing treatment at Sparsh Hospital in Bommasandra. Vijayarangan, born on October 5, 1975, joined The New Indian Express in April 2011 and had been with the organisation since then.

Gold smuggling: 4 more accused added to NIA list

TOBY ANTONY @Kochi

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has added to its wanted list four more absconding persons accused in the case relating to the smuggling of gold via the diplomatic channel. Having earlier named Faisal Fareed, a key accused, as wanted, NIA has included Sidhiqul Akbar, Ahammed Kutty, Rathesh alias Raju and Muhammad Shameer in the list. They are suspected to be in the UAE.

"NIA has approached Interpol and UAE authorities to trace them. Deportation procedure will be initiated once they are caught. Non-bailable arrest warrants have been issued against them. Raju had left for the UAE after NIA had registered the case," an official said.

Nine of the 35 persons accused in the case are still in the UAE. Last month, NIA had arrested Rabins Hameed, another key accused, with the support of UAE authorities. He was deported following the request of the national agency. Faisal Fareed too was detained in the UAE following NIA input.

On Friday, the NIA Court will consider the bail petitions filed by six accused persons – Sarith P S, Sandeep Nair, Rameez K T, Jalal A M, Muhammad Shafi and Muhammad Ali.

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संक्षिप्त ई–निविदा सूचना / BRIEF e-TENDER NOTICE Date:04.12.2020

File No.: CMD/EMS/EST/E-089/2020-21

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, समान प्रकृति एवं परिमाण के कार्य का अनुभव रखने वाले पात्र निविाकारों / एजेंसियों से निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए ई–टेंडरिंग माध्यम से मुहर–बंद मद–दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित हैं। / On behalf of President of India, sealed item rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for the following works from eligible contractors/agencies having experience in works of similar nature and magnitude.

वि–एन आई टी सं./ E-Notice Inviting Tender No.: PT - E - 20 - 006

कार्य का नाम / Title of Work : वर्ष 2021 हेतु (टर्म संविदा–IV) एसडीएससी शार के एएसएलवी क्षेत्र तथा दूरमिति, शार हाउसिंग कॉलोनियां कीपाकमं, कोत्त्चेनु में लघु विद्युत कार्य अनुरक्षण के क्रियान्वयन का टर्म संविदा (विद्युतीय कार्य)
फाईल सं.: सीएमडी / ईएमएस / ईएसटि / ई–089 / 2020–21
Term Contract for execution of minor / maintenance Electrical works for SHAR Housing Colonies, Keepakam, Kothachenu, Telemetry and ASLV areas at SDSC SHAR (Term Contrat - IV) for the year 2021. (Electrical work)
File No.: CMD/EMS/EST/E-089/2020-21

निविदा की अनुमानित लागत / Estimated cost put to tender: ₹ 60.00 लाख / Lakhs

कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि / Period of Completion: 01 साल / Year

बयाना राशि जमा (ई.एम.डी.) / Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): ₹ 1,20,000.00

निविदा दस्तावेज डाउनलोड करने की अवधि / Period during which the tender document can be downloaded :
11.12.2020, 10:30 बजे से 20.12.2020 को 14:30 बजे तक / From 10:30 Hrs 11.12.2020 To 14:30 Hrs 20.12.2020

निविदा अपलोड का अंतिम तिथि एवं समय / Last date and time for uploading of tenders:
22.12.2020 के अपराह्न 14:30 बजे तक / 14:30 Hrs on 22.12.2020

निविदा खोलने की नियत तिथि एवं समय / Due date and time of opening of tenders:
22.12.2020 के अपराह्न 15:00 बजे से / 15:00 Hrs on 22.12.2020

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No.: BDA/EO/TDR Cell/Notification/168/2020-21 Date: 08.12.2020

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of powers conferred under section 14-B of the Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act 1961, the following area mentioned in the schedule below is required by the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Office of the Commissioner, NR. Square, Bengaluru for development of road for implementing the proposals of the Approved Master Plan or proposals of the Local Authority and the Development Right Certificate has been issued to the land owner.

The following land/building owners have opted for Development Rights in lieu of monetary compensation as per the Government of Karnataka Notification No. UDD/154/BEMRUPRA/2004 Dated: 18.01.2005.

As per the Govt Notification dated: 04.03.2017 the present owner of the DRC/TDR has given the representation to the Bangalore Development Authority for Revalidation/Transfer/Utilisation for the DRC's issued by the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike.

The public is hereby informed about the details of the land and land owners and interested persons whose land are acquired for the public purpose and Development rights are issued in lieu of Monetary compensation. Any objections and suggestions are to be addressed to the Commissioner, Bangalore Development Authority within Fifteen days from the date of publication of this Notification.

List of land/ building area surrendered and land owners for which Development Rights Certificate is issued.

Sl. No.	Address of the plot/land/ building area	Public purpose the land/ plot is required for	Dimensions of the land/plot Length X Breadth in Mtrs.	DRC No & Extent in Sq.mtr. of the land/plot	Boundaries of the land/plot	Name and Address of the original land owner of the land/plot for which Development Rights Certificate is issued
1	Khatha No: 262/22/1, Kempapura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru.	Widenting of Kempapura Road, Yelahanka Zone (Ward No:7) from outer Ring Road to Kempapura Main Road via, Yogeshnagar, Vayunandan Layout, Netaji Nagar & Anjaneya Swamy Temple street.	As per Survey Drawing	DRC: 2597 61.80 Sq.mtr.	East: Remaining Portion of Sy No.22/1; West: Road; North: Remaining Portion of Sy No. 22/1; South: Remaining Portion of Sy No.22/1;	Smt.Manjula W/o late Manjunath #22/1, Hebbal Kempapura, Chauralappa Layout, Kempapura, Bengaluru-560024

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भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, निम्नलिखित कार्यों हेतु ई-निविदा द्वारा मद-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।
On behalf of the President of India, item-rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for the following works:

क्रम सं Sl.No.	कार्य का नाम NAME OF THE WORK	प्राक्कलित लागत Est. Cost (लाखों में) ₹ (in Lakhs)	कार्य पूरा होने की अवधि Period of completion
सिविल के कार्य। CIVIL WORKS			
1. एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी/टीएस / ई - 22 / एमआई / सीपीएच-12/2020-21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-22/MI/CPH-12/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के जल आपूर्ति तंत्र के लिए पंप हाउसों तथा कूपों का प्रचालन एवं अनुरक्षण जिसमें भंजन पंपों को मोटर के साथ ऊपर उठाना तथा कूपों में पंप का उन्निर्माण शामिल है । Operation and Maintenance of Pump houses and wells including liftingbreak down pumps with motors and erection of pump in wells for water supply system at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	28.41	24 (चौबीस महीने / Twenty four months)
2. एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी/टीएस/ई-23 / एमआई / सीपीएच -13/2020-21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-23/MI/CPH-13/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी हॉउसिंग कॉलोनी, नागरकोविल में सिविल तथा जन–स्वास्थ्य प्रणाली का प्रचालन एवं अनुरक्षण।Operation and Maintenance of Civil and PH systems at IPRC Housing Colony, Nagercoil.	88.46	24 (चौबीस महीने / Twenty four months)
3.एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई - 19 / एमआई/सीपीएच -11/2020-21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-19/MI/CPH-11/2020-21			
	अंतरिक्ष विज्ञान एवं प्रौद्योगिकी पार्क (एसएसटीपी) स्थल, कन्याकुमारी में कांटेदार तार बाड़ प्रदान करना। Providing Barbed wire fencing at Space Science & Technology Park (SSTP) Site, Kanyakumari.	14.18	03 (तीन महीने / Three months)
4.एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई - 27 / एमआई / सीपीएच -15/2020 - 21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-27/MI/CPH-15/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि में यंत्रीकरण परीक्षण एवं सर्विस कक्ष के लिए टीपीटी भवन का ऊर्ध्वाधर विस्तार। Vertical Extension to TPT Building for Instrumentation testing & service room at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	19.05	05 (पाँच महीने / Five months)
5.एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई - 28 / एमआई / सीपीएच -16/2020 - 21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-28/MI/CPH-16/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के गैस सिलिंडर परीक्षण सुविधा में ऐस्बेस्टॉस सिमेंट शीट छत को गैल्वल्यूम शीट छत से बदलना। Replacing of Asbestos cement sheet roofing with Galvalume sheet roofing in Gas cylinder test facility at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	5.79	03 (तीन महीने / Three Months)
6. एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई - 29 / एमए / सीपीएच -17/2020 - 21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-29/MA/CPH-17/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी हाउसिंग कॉलोनी, वल्लियूर में सिविल प्रणाली के प्रचालन और अनुरक्षण हेतु सर्विस संविदा। Service Contract for Operation and Maintenance of Civil systems at IPRC Housing colony, Valliyoor.	50.00	24 (चौबीस महीने / Twenty four months)
7.एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी / टीएस / ई -32 / एमआई / सीपीएच -19/2020 - 21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-32/MI/CPH-19/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के सीआईएसएफ/अनिवार्य हाउसिंग कॉलोनी में कन्सर्टिना कुंडली सहित चेन लिंक फेन्सिंग प्रदान करना। Providing Chain link fencing with concertina coil at CISF/Essential Housing colony at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	11.60	04 (चार महीने / Four months)
8.एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई–34 / एमडब्ल्यू -01/2020 - 21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-34/MW-01/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के एसआईईटी सुविधा (एससी–120 परियोजना) के लिए कैमरा कीऑस्क 1,2 एवं 3 का निर्माण। Construction of camera kiosk 1,2 & 3 for SIET facility (SC-120 project) at IPRC, Mahendragiri	39.99	04 (चार महीने / Four months)
वातानुकूलन के कार्य। AIR CONDITIONING WORK			
9.एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई–35 / एमडब्ल्यू / एसी -01/2020 - 21 NIT no: IPRC/CMG/TS/e-35/MW/AC-01/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के प्रस्तावित सी25 चरण एकीकरण कॉम्प्लेक्स के लिए डी.एक्स. वातानुकूलन प्रदान करना । Providing DX Air conditioning for proposed C25 Stage Integration complex at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	46.01	08 (आठ महीने / Eight months)
यांत्रिक के कार्य । MECHANICAL WORK			
10.एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई–33 / एमडब्ल्यू / एम -01/2020 - 21 NIT no: IPRC/CMG/TS/e-33/MW/M-01/2020-21			
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के सेमीक्रायो रोधन प्रक्रमण सुविधा के लिए मोटरचालित प्रचालन सहित द्विपर्णी क्षैतिज अंतः सर्पी स्खलन इस्पात दरवाजा का डिजाइन, संविरचन, आपूर्ति, उन्निर्माण, परीक्षण तथा कमीशनन। Design, Fabrication, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of Two Leaf Horizontal Telescopically Sliding Steel Door with motorized operation, for Semi cryo Insulation processing facility at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	76.28	06 (छह महीने / Six months)

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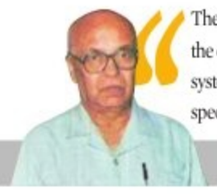

"The Indian doctrine of five elements was so well developed that the emerging pre-classical Saamkhya and the Vaiseshika systems could not but absorb it in toto, for it served as a speculative bridge between the phenomenal and the noumenal

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— Ramnath Goenka

CHINESE DUPLICITY ON DE-ESCALATION ALONG THE LAC

Two different thought threads on the Sino-Indian situation were articulated on Wednesday, one of which was of exasperation while the other had a global context. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar shared his irritation over China giving 'five differing explanations' for amassing troops along the LAC in Ladakh, forcing India to militarise the border on its side. At present, there are an estimated 50,000 soldiers at stand-off points along the LAC on both sides. While they are not in eyeball-to-eyeball range, the physical distance between the two sides is not comfortable either. A flurry of diplomatic and military-level engagements, for de-escalation before the harsh Himalayan winter set in, came to naught despite joint statements and accords that were loaded with pious intentions but never got implemented. As a harried Jaishankar pointed out, bilateral agreements notwithstanding, there is a singular lack of will on the other side to alter the ground situation. If the pandemic earlier and the extreme winter frost now are not deterrent enough, what else could be? It now appears that staying put in the icy Himalayan heights will be the new normal. The human cost will be enormous but that is the price the sentinels are paying to avenge the Galwan sacrifice. Jaishankar's observations come at a time when knowledgeable circles are questioning his stewardship at the ministry.

In Moscow, Russian foreign minister Sergey Lavrov sought to deconstruct the US game plan in South Asia by claiming India is currently an object of the West's 'persistent, aggressive and devious policy' to engage it in anti-China activities by promoting Indo-Pacific strategies, especially the Quad. But India is a major player in the global chessboard, not a pawn. It has the right to choose alliances keeping its supreme national interest in mind. Which is why New Delhi continues to pursue the S-400 missile defence shield deal despite US sanctions on Russia.

Chinese duplicity on the LAC indicates its reading of India moving into a threat zone. Its ambassador's frequent inane rhetoric on the possibility of the dragon and the elephant tangoing is not even worth a smile. As for India, restoring peace and tranquillity cannot be a one-way street. Going back to status quo ante will be one hell of a long haul.

GRAND LOCAL POLLS ADD TO KERALA'S COVID FEARS

An election is a festival in Kerala, bigger than any other. For a politically inclined population that takes its democratic rights seriously, it's an occasion to celebrate. No election is small here and every poll evokes equal passion. But these are difficult times. The local body poll underway has triggered concerns for obvious reasons. The risks of conducting an election during the pandemic are known. While the decision to go ahead with the electoral process despite the health crisis is justifiable considering that it was necessary to keep the local self-government bodies running, the way it is being carried out deserves critical scrutiny.

The fact is all aspects of this election—from campaigning to voting arrangements to polling—have violated the restrictions in place to deal with Covid-19. While parties and candidates ignored campaigning restrictions, the state election commission and the government failed to ensure adherence to Covid protocols. Parties were even allowed to hold the traditional grand show of strength with massive participation at the culmination of campaigning. The process of distribution of polling material turned out to be a messy affair where social distancing norms were conveniently ignored. The same happened during voting in the first two phases. So, while the high voter turnout—73% in the first phase and 76% in the second—is being seen in a positive light, it's also a matter of concern as gathering of large crowds at polling booths without adhering to Covid guidelines created a potentially dangerous situation.

The election is being held at a crucial phase. Once praised for its effective handling of the contagion, Kerala is currently one of the worst affected states in terms of the number of identified infections. Though its daily tally of fresh cases is on the decline, fatalities have risen sharply. So it is unfortunate that an electoral fight has been allowed to undermine the crucial battle against the virus. The crisis has taught us to keep celebrations low-key. Yet, this celebration of democracy has been turned into a grand show by the stakeholders, ignoring the grim reality of the times we live in.

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TYRANNY OF THE MAJORITY IN SRI LANKA

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Speaking to the "Sinhala nation" over television and radio channels on 18 November 2020, Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa highlighted the policies and programmes of his government. This significant speech has unfortunately not attracted the attention it deserves from Sri Lanka watchers in India. The President equated the Sri Lankan nation with the majority Sinhalese community. To quote: "A year ago, 6.9 million voters in this country elected me as your new President. It is no secret that the majority, who voted for me then, were Sinhalese. They rallied because they had legitimate fears that the Sinhala race, our religion, national resources and the heritage would be threatened with destruction in the face of various local and foreign forces and ideologies that support separatism, extremism and terrorism. The main appeal made by the people to me was 'to protect the country'."

By equating the nation with the majority community, Gotabaya Rajapaksa has done incalculable harm to the pluralist character and composite culture of Sri Lanka. There are diversities, and there are also linkages. But the Sinhalese and the Tamil chauvinists look at the past through the prism of the present. They project the two communities as being at war with one another for several centuries. Professor Gananath Obeyesekere, a distinguished anthropologist, has exploded the myth of the Aryan/Dravidian divide; he has concluded that if one traces the ancestry of various communities, he would realise that they are all intermixed with South Indian peoples.

The Sinhalese bigots forget that the efflorescence of the Theravada form of Buddhism has much to do with fruitful contacts with Buddhist centres of learning in South India. The greatest epic of Theravada Buddhism is not in the Sinhalese language but in Tamil. *Manimekalai* is the greatest literary gem of Theravada Buddhism. The Tamil chauvinists also ignore the fact that Buddhism was a flourishing religion in the Tamil areas. Delivering the Vesak Memorial lecture in Chennai a few years ago, Professor Padmanabha pointed out that before Sri Lanka's European age, a large number of Lankan Tamils were adherents of Buddhism.

The composite culture in Sri Lanka is all too evident. Some communities adhere to the practices of more than one religion. The Hindu Bhakti cult has influenced Buddhism and there are images of Hindu Gods in Buddhist Chaityas. The deity Skanda (Muruga) continues to be a major intersection of several religious faiths. Hindus, Buddhists, Christians and Muslims all go to Kataragama, where the atmosphere is one of tolerance and goodwill. During my last visit, I found Buddhist pilgrims outnumbering the Hindus; they carry the *Kavady* with intense devotion and fervour.

Despite cultural commonalities, the chauvinists propagate the falsehood of age-old animosities between the two communities. Their tendentious arguments remind me of the famous statement of Voltaire: "If you believe in absurdities, you will commit atrocities." It is my submission that the ethnic conflict is the product of post-independence politics, especially from 1956, when the Sinhalese ruling class started building the nation based on Sinhala language and Buddhist religion, to the exclusion of minority claims. The consequence was Lanka becoming one of the notorious killing fields of the world where the victims included all communities—Tamils, Sinhalese and Muslims.

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Eleven years after the end of the war, ethnic reconciliation still remains a distant dream. And flushed with victory, the President and his brothers have begun equating the nation with the majority community. The lesson is crystal clear. If the political system does not provide for tolerance of multiple identities, tensions and fissures will soon develop. A meaningful solution can be found only if the political system enshrines tolerance, power-sharing, devolution and autonomy. And what is more, in a world of shrinking geographical boundaries and widening intellectual horizons, no man can remain an island; so also, no country can remain isolated. The international community will definitely wake up and start exerting pressure on Sri Lanka to change its course.

Thanks to the genius and wisdom of Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru, we in India recognise the wisdom of the statement that the greatness of a nation consists in how well it treats its minorities. Unless the ruling elite in neighbouring countries create and nurture a political system where multiple identities can coexist harmoniously, ethnic tensions would continue to bleed our region.

I have visited Sri Lanka many times and given several lectures in different parts of the country. I always mentioned that the greatest embodiment of India's composite culture was late President A P J Abdul Kalam. A devout Muslim, he grew up in the eclectic environment in Rameshwaram and embodied in himself the noblest qualities of Indian culture. A Muslim steeped in Hindu traditions, a scientist who would recite verses from *Thirukkural*, a consummate artist who played the Sarasvati Veena, a scholar well versed in *Quran*, *Bhagwat Gita* and the *Bible*—he was a role model for all of us. Kalam remained a teacher till the very end and had immense faith in the youth of the country. He was convinced that India would become a great and powerful nation. I loved him, respected him, adored him, and during the present "crisis in civilisation" (Tagore's phrase), I pray for the continuance of his love, service and inspiration.

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DOCTRINE OF *PANCHABHOOTAS*, THE FIVE ELEMENTS, IN INDIA

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To account for the apparently unordered, diverse world of matter and qualities, the doctrine of *panchabhootas* or five elements gradually evolved in India. These are *prithvi* ('earth'), *ap* ('water'), *tejas* ('fire'), *vaayu* ('air') and *aakaasha* ('ether': a non-material ubiquitous substance). Actually, the translated terms like earth, water, etc., do not adequately represent the words *prithvi*, *ap*, ..., which have wider connotations. They have been used here only for immediate understanding.

All gross things are formed of the five elements. Water was considered as the first cause in *Rigveda*. Later, the concept of five elements evolved in the Upanishadic literature. A passage in *Taittireeya Upanishad* says: "From this soul (*aatman*), verily, *aakaasha* arose; from *aakaasha*, wind (*vaayu*); from wind, fire (*agni*); from fire, water (*ap*); from water, the earth (*prithvi*); from the earth, herbs; from herbs, food; from food, semen; from semen, the person (*purusha*)." Among the six orthodox systems of Indian philosophy, Saamkhya, Vaiseshika and Nyaaya laid emphasis on the five elements. The Jaina, Bauddha and Chaarvaaka schools have only four elements, and do not require *aakaasha*.

According to Saamkhya, the elements have the following attributes: *aakaasha*: *shabda* (sound); *vaayu*: *shabda* and *sparsha* (touch); *tejas*: *shabda*, *sparsha* and *roopa* (colour); *ap*: *shabda*, *sparsha*, *roopa* and *rasa* (taste); *prithvi*: *shabda*, *sparsha*, *roopa*, *rasa* and *gandha* (odour). The last attribute associated with each element is its special characteristic. For instance, *'rasa'* in the case of *ap*. All gross things are formed by the grouping and regrouping of the five elements. The noticeable differences among substances are due to the different types of collocations and groupings.

The Saamkhya doctrine of *panchamahaabhootas* influenced the conceptual framework of Ayurveda, the principal Indian medicinal system. The five categories of matter, that is, 'earth', 'water', 'fire', 'air' and 'ether', and the corresponding five senses, namely, smell, taste, vision, touch and hearing, are all the evolutive products of *prakrti* (primordial-matter-stuff). The body as well as food and drugs are all composed of these five *mahaabhootas*. Their presence in the body is described in terms of three *doshas*, or functional units, namely, *vaayu*, *pittha* and *kapha*. Kapha is a combination of the principles of *prithvi* and *ap*, and broadly represents anabolism (growth and building). *Pittha* is a combination of the principles of *ap* and *tejas*, and represents transformation and catabolism (chemical processes associated with the digestion of food); and *vaata* is a combination of the principles of *vaayu* and *aakaasha*, and represents regulation, circulation and control. An individual remains healthy as long as the three *doshas* are in a state of equilibrium. Disease manifests when these *doshas* are out of balance. A judicious use of plant, animal and mineral substances formulated into medicines, and also dietary and behavioural changes can restore health.

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The doctrine of *panchabhootas* is elaborated in the Vaiseshika and Nyaaya systems. According to them, *prithvi*, *ap*, *tejas* and *vaayu* are all material and each of them is of two kinds: eternal in the form of atoms, and non-permanent in the form of products. The special qualities associated with them are odour, taste, colour and touch respectively. Apart from these four qualities, each of them possesses particular combinations of other qualities, namely, number, dimension, distinctness, conjunction, disjunction, distance, proximity, gravity, fluidity and faculty. *Aakaasha* is regarded as non-material and all-pervading. Its special quality is sound. Apart from the five elements, four others, namely, *dik* (space), *kaala* (time), *aatma* (self) and *manas* (mind) are also *drawyas* (substances). It needs to be emphasised that the translated words are only indicative. It is very interesting to note that space, time, self and mind are also substances! The *panchabhoota* idea is elaborated in the Nyaaya-Vaiseshika system in a sophisticated framework in which the finite and the material (*prithvi*, *ap*, *tejas* and *vaayu*), the non-material and all-pervading (*aakaasha*, *dik* and *kaala*), and conscious (*aatma*), as well as *manas* have been integrated in a rational way.

Early Greek thinkers also attempted to explain all observed matter and phenomena using a single principle, namely, 'water' first, but added 'air', 'fire' and 'earth' too later. There is a noticeable commonness in the Indian and Greek attempts at reducing the knowable phenomena into the interplay of four or five elements. But there are many differences too, when one goes into the details. According to some scholars, there is a possibility of many of the ideas being transferred from India to Greece.

According to modern physics, the structure of space-time is directly related to the distribution of matter/energy. To this extent, the inclusion of space and time in the generic concept of 'substance' is striking and impressive. However, it is a qualitative idea in India, whereas it is a quantitative law with definite, observable consequences in modern physics.

This column has drawn heavily from the work done by the late Prof. B V Subbarayappa on the doctrine of five elements and related concepts. The Nyaaya-Vaiseshika system goes beyond the doctrine of five elements, and develops a logically structured atomic theory. We will explore atomism in India in the next article.

(This is the sixth article in the series on India's contributions to science and technology)

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Most farmers welcome them

With reference to *Unions reject govt offer, announce scaled-up stir* (Dec 10) and related articles, it appears that some rich farmers are holding the country to ransom. The Centre has accepted many suggestions and made several concessions but to no avail. The Rajasthan local body poll results that have gone in favour of the BJP, and the recent Bihar and bypoll verdicts indicate farmers in the rest of India have no problems with the reforms.

Hemanth D Pai, Bengaluru

Repeal new farm laws

The government must repeal the new laws considering the problems faced by farmers. The Centre has the responsibility to solve the protests and the only solution that seems to be in front of it is the abrogation of the agrarian reforms.

K Asok Kumar, Chunakkara

Don't privatise train route

This is with reference to *Chartered Nilgiri train a prelude to privatisation?* (Dec 8). The news that Southern Railways permitted a private company, which charged a whopping ₹3,000 per seat for a single journey, to run services on the Nilgiri Mountain Railway has come as a shock to tourists and the travelling public. Thousands of tourists visit the Queen of Hills during the summer season and they enjoy the scenic beauty of the hills all along the route. One hopes the route would not be privatised.

S Nallasivan, Tirunelveli

Covid and Kerala polls

We all know local body elections and related activities are in full swing in Kerala. But our main concern should be to stay Covid negative during this period.

Ebin Shaiju, Kottayam

Voters should be careful

The pictures in newspapers and clips on TV show people jostling with each other and crowding polling booths to cast their votes. Many have thrown Covid norms to the winds. The police appear to be rather inactive. I hope people will show some more responsibility and civic sense.

Thomas Matthew, Muvattupuzha

Rains expose creaky infra

Every year, the rains show how weak and creaky the infrastructure in Chennai is (*Waiting to swallow lives, in 'hole' or part*, Dec 8). It has become routine to read about deaths caused by electrocution and falls into open drains and manholes. Rains have become abnormal due to climate change. Accordingly, the government has to think of improving the infrastructure.

Radhika Kumar, Chennai

Poor roads in Chennai

This is with reference to *For city commuters, it's like driving on putt putt course ...* (Dec 10). The accompanying photos show the poor road conditions in many parts of Chennai. Further, traffic congestion often leads to chaos during peak hours at Velammal junction and elsewhere. Not only are roads poor, unauthorised bumps add to the problems.

Manju Thomas, Chennai

Rajini's leanings

Rajinikanth has good chances if he strikes the right alliances (*Tapping the desire for change in TN*, Dec 10). His alleged proximity to the BJP won't hurt his chances. We can recall that former CM Jayalalithaa was one of the few non-BJP leaders to support Ram temple construction in Ayodhya way back in 1992.

Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery

Why Central Vista now?

The apex court had found it necessary to caution the government to show prudence over the Central Vista project. Right from the point of view of necessity, the project has generated a lot of criticism among people. It is not clear why the Centre, instead of waiting for the final judgment, went ahead with a formal ground-breaking ceremony.

K Natarajan, Madurai

Good work by RPF

This is with reference to *Child labourers rescued at B'luru rly stn* (Dec 10). Thanks to the good work of the RPF, two minors from a village in Bihar employed in the outskirts of Bengaluru were rescued. There are likely to be many more such child labourers in the city who need help.

V N Subramanyam, Bengaluru

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

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Modi is giving a moral lecture on the 'values' & 'culture' of democracy while in practice destroying democracy mercilessly...

Harsimrat Kaur Badal @HarsimratBadal_
On the day the foundation was laid for new #ParliamentBuilding, GOI should have repealed agri laws... Let us strengthen the spirit of democracy first.

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
The Modi government is snatching the fundamental rights of the poor.....For the better future of the country, we have to respect the rights of every class

FIFTEEN LIVES LOST IN LAST TWO WEEKS OF PROTEST

Fifteen deaths were reported during the agitation, so far. While 10 farmers died of heart attack, four were killed in accidents and one lost life due to cold wave. Incidentally, the first two lives were lost in accidents. "In Punjab, some 15 farmers died in last two months and now another 15 at Delhi borders. But, our struggle will continue," said Lachhman Singh, general secretary, Punjab Khet Mazdoor Union.

CONDEMN USE OF FORCE ON PEACEFUL FARMERS: SCBA

The SC Bar Association (SCBA) passed a resolution condemning the use of repressive measures against farmers protesting peacefully against the agriculture laws. "The Executive Committee has unanimously resolved to condemn the use of force and repressive measures against peaceful protesters, and calls upon all governments to uphold and protect Constitutional right of all citizens to peaceful protest," it said.

Farmers offer prayer at Ghazipur border during their ongoing protest against the Centre's new agriculture laws in New Delhi on Thursday; (right) a farmer serves tea to security personnel posted on duty at a protest site | PTI

FARMERS WARN OF PAN-INDIA RAIL BLOCKADE

Sanyukt Kisan Manch to work out details of rail roko agitation; farmers to gherao offices of Deputy Commissioners in Punjab on Dec 14

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

THE protesting farmers on Thursday hardened their stance against new farm laws despite six rounds of talks with the Centre, warning they would block rail tracks across the country if their demand for repealing the laws are not met.

They also asserted that they stood united and any talk of division in their ranks was condemnable. The warning from the farmer leaders came even as Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar and Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal on Thursday urged them to give up the path of protest and continue talks to reach a solution on the issues related to the new farm legislations.

Various farmer unions met on Thursday and said details of the agitation to disrupt train services would be decided by the Sanyukt Kisan Manch.

"The situation in Punjab is different because an agitation in the state has already been going for the last two months. On December 14, the agitating farmers will gherao the offices of Deputy Commissioners,'' said a Punjab farmer leader, Buta Singh.

A doctor checks blood pressure of a farmer at Singhu on Thursday | PARVEEN NEGI

"The Centre has admitted that the new laws have been made for traders. If agriculture is a state subject, then the Centre does not have the right to make any laws. So, our argument that these laws will not benefit farmers has been proved right today,'' Bhartiya Kisan Union, Punjab (Rajewal Group), Balbir Singh Rajewal, said.

"We warn the government not to stop farmers from coming to Delhi for agitation,'' said Dr Darshan Pal, president of Krantikari Kisan Union.

The farmer unions had on Wednesday rejected the Centre's proposals to make amendments in the farm laws and insisted on their repeal.

"Five rounds of talks have already been held with the government, but they remained inconclusive. So far, the government has not sent us any invitation for another round of talks. If government sends us proposal for a meeting, we will decide it in our meeting," another farmer leader Shiv Kumar Kakka told a news agency. "We are facing a lot of difficulties due to cold weather and the COVID-19 pandemic, but despite this, we will continue our protest until our demands are met."

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Balbir Rajewal, BKU Punjab (Rajewal Group)

We will block railway tracks if our demands are not met. We will decide on the date and announce it soon. It will not be limited to Haryana and Punjab alone

Buta Singh, farmer leader

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Shiv Kumar Kakka, farmer leader

BJP finds PM-Kisan scheme a cushion to allay agrarian unrest

MANISH ANAND @ New Delhi

FACED with the 'yes or no' stance of the farmers unions, the NDA government has made it clear that there's no going back on the farm laws beyond fine-tuning.

The BJP's poll performances in states after the enactment of the legislations have emboldened the government to test the strength of the agitation, with the assessment within the party being that the PM-Kisan Samman Nidhi scheme is acting as a buffer against the farmers' anger.

The fact that the next electoral challenge is months away, that too in states where subsistence farming is mostly the norm, has also shaped the stance of the ruling dispensation in dealing with the agitating farmers. The BJP faces poll test in Assam and West Bengal next year and both the states are seen as regions of subsistence farming where the MSP or the APMC focused agitation hasn't found much resonance.

Within the government, the stubborn demand of the farmers for repealing the laws, coupled with the threat to choke Delhi by blocking the highways, is being seen as an outright and unacceptable blackmail.

BJP leaders opined that a rollback of the farm laws would weaken the government's confidence to push reforms and give negative signals to foreign investors. That's too heavy a price to pay with long-term ramifications at a time when the country is much more dependent on foreign fund inflow to support the Atmanirbhar Bharat campaign, they believe.

The PM-Kisan Nidhi Samman scheme, under which the Centre credits ₹3,000 a year in farmers' bank accounts, was unveiled ahead of the general elections as the BJP realised that the agrarian unrest in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh had cost it dearly in 2018. The BJP feels the cash transfer has been paying rich dividends for the party with endorsement for PM Modi growing in rural areas.

Besides, the BJP's electoral march has been on the back of the government's welfare schemes targeted at weaker sections, including marginal farmers and farm labourers, who have hardly benefitted from the MSP driven farm policies.

Dushyant is with Centre, but his 5 MLAs support protest

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

A half of Dushyant Chautala's 10 MLAs in the Jannayak Janata Party, an ally of the ruling BJP in Haryana, have openly supported the protesting farmers.

On his part, Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala on Wednesday said the Centre has accepted the farmers' demand for assured MSP in writing and now it is up to the farmers to respond to the Centre's other proposals.

"I am a farmer first. It is our responsibility to ensure adequate prices for various crops. The Union government has assured the farmers on the Minimum Support Price in writing. It is now up to them to decide. We hope that other demands of the farmers belonging to other states will also be met.''

"In the previous year as well as for the current season's procurements, our government has ensured that the entire food grain is procured from farmers and money is transferred into their bank accounts. While Punjab has not been able to achieve the twin objectives, Rajasthan has not even begun it,'' he said.

Dushyant on Thursday hosted lunch for Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar and his cabinet colleagues at his residence.

Earlier five legislators of JJP Amarjeet Dhanda (Julana), Jogi Ram Sihag (Barwala), Ishwar Singh (Gullha Cheeka), Ram Kumar Gautam (Narnaund) and Ram Karan Kala from Shahabad supported the farmers' agitation and stated that the farmers' demands should be accepted and the three farm laws should be repealed.

Last week Sombir Sangwan, independent MLA from Dadri, withdrew support to the BJP-JJP government and also quit as chairman of the Haryana Livestock Development Board.

The JJP had fought last year's assembly polls against the BJP and won 10 seats. But when the saffron party fell short of a majority, the JJP offered its support to it and formed a collation government in Haryana.

India's first mRNA Covid vaccine gets nod to start trials

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @New Delhi

HUMAN trials of the first indigenous mRNA Covid vaccine candidate have been permitted by the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) while the initial results are likely by March next year.

It assumes significance as covid vaccines based on this platform, such as those by Pfizer-BioNtech and Moderna, currently appear out of bound for India.

The Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation's Subject Expert Committee on Wednesday granted conditional permission for phases 1, 2 human clinical trial of the vaccine candidate developed by the Pune-based Gennova Biopharmaceuticals Ltd in collaboration with HDT, the US. The recommendations of the panel were later approved by the DCGI.

After detailed deliberation, the committee recommended for grant of permission to conduct phase 1 and 2 clinical trial

Subject Expert Committee, CDSCO

"After detailed deliberation, the committee recommended for grant of permission to conduct phase 1 and 2 clinical trial subject to the condition that the interim results of phase 1 study shall be submitted before proceeding to the next phase," the panel said.

Experts pointed out that the success of some mRNA vaccines has come as a surprise. Instead of exposing defences to a protein directly, the antigen is delivered indirectly through a circuitous route. "mRNA molecules takes genetic instructions for producing a spike protein and, once inside a cell, that spike gene is read by cellular machinery to make spike proteins," said a virologist.

He said the body receives a target antigen — the coronavirus spike protein — despite the fact that an mRNA vaccine doesn't itself contain the antigen. Two explanations have been offered for this. "One possibility is that having a cell read the spike gene to make a protein — instead of delivering the fully-formed spike protein — more closely mimics what happens when SARS CoV 2 replicates during infection."

Pfizer, for example, had developed two drug candidates. While one only included instructions for producing the spike's tip, another one which showed 95% efficacy produced a full-length protein. "It suggests that the immune system responds better when exposed to the entire spike protein," he said, adding that another explanation is that additional modifications to the mRNA molecules may be influencing effectiveness.

Govt exploring possibility of holding JEE-Main four times

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE government is considering a proposal to hold the JEE (Main) four times next year, beginning in February end and then once every month till May, Union education minister **Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank** announced on Thursday.

In case the suggestion is accepted, the candidates will have the option to appear in one or all tests and for ranking, their best performance will be taken into account.

During an online interaction with students, parents and teachers, Pokhriyal said that while the syllabus for the engineering test will remain the same, students may be given choice to answer 75 questions — 25 each in Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics — out of 90 questions, 30 each in Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics.

This year, JEE candidates were expected to answer all 75 questions.

The flexibility is being considered in order to ensure staggering of students and to reduce stress on them.

The minister also said that the schedule for the NEET 2021, which is also organized by the National Testing Agency, is being finalised in consultation with the Union ministry of health and family welfare and the National Medical Commission. While the syllabus will remain the same, it is yet to be decided on whether the test will be held in online or offline.

On the date of CBSE class 10, 12 board examinations, the minister said that the consultations with the stakeholders are in progress for deciding the dates and it will be announced soon, based on the feedback received.

If students are unable to do practical in classes before the examinations, alternatives to practical examinations will be explored, said Pokhriyal.

Applications for Haj 2021 open till Jan 10

NEW DELHI: THE last date for submission of application forms for Haj 2021 has been extended to January 10, the Centre announced on Thursday.

The Union Ministry of Minority Affairs also announced that the embarkation point-wise estimated cost per pilgrim has also been reduced. "December 10 was the last date for submission of application forms for Haj 2021, and now it has been extended to January 10, 2021," an official statement quoted Minority Affairs Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi as saying after he chaired a meeting of the Haj Committee in Mumbai

So far, over 40,000 Haj applications were received of which more than 500 applications are those by women seeking to undertake the pilgrimage without '*Mehram*' (male companion). *ENS*

'Modi's moral speech is diabolic doublespeak'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi's speech on the occasion of ground-breaking ceremony of the new Parliament building on Thursday drew flak from the Opposition leaders.

CPI (M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury accused Modi of indulging in "diabolic doublespeak". "Mr Modi is giving a moral lecture on the 'values' & 'culture' of democracy while in practice destroying democracy mercilessly, assaulting all dissent & preventing our youth from even choosing life partners: diabolic doublespeak."

In the past, the Opposition parties had criticised the government for not cutting down on big expenditure like the Central Vista project amid the coronavirus crisis.

Congress general secretary Randeep Surjewala tweeted: "Dear PM, Parliament is not mortar and stones, It envisions Democracy, It imbibes Constitution, It is Economic-Political-Social Equality, It is Compassion & Camaraderie, It is aspirations of 130 Cr Indians. What would a building built upon trampling of these values represent? (sic)"

The AAP took a jibe at the Centre, saying it is indeed historical that the "head servant" is doing ground worship of the new Parliament when the peasants are fighting for their rights.

EXPRESS READ

India, Nepal flights to begin under air bubble

New Delhi: India has decided to start an 'air bubble' with Nepal in order to resume flights amid the Covid-related embargoes. This comes soon after Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla's recent visit to Nepal where the importance of connectivity between the two countries was highlighted. Initially, one daily flight will operate from each side, Delhi and Kathmandu. It marks another step by the two sides to normalise ties hit by a border row earlier this year.

CONTEMPORARY DANCE PIONEER DIES AT 73

ASTAD DEBOO 1947-2020

MUMBAI: Contemporary dancer Astad Deboo, known for amalgamating Indian and western dance techniques, died here on Thursday, his family said. He was 73.

He was suffering from lymphoma, a close family friend said. Deboo employed his training in Indian classical dance forms of Kathak as well as Kathakali to create a unique fusion dance form.

"He leaves behind a formidable legacy of unforgettable performances combined with an unswerving dedication to his art, matched only by his huge, loving heart that gained him thousands of friends and a vast, number of admirers," his family said.

Born on July 13, 1947 in Gujarat's Navsari town, the dancer, who studied Kathak with Guru Prahlad Das from a young age, and Kathakali with Guru E K Panniker, described his style as "contemporary in vocabulary and traditional in restraint". In 50 years of his career, Deboo had performed in over 70 countries. *PTI*

BOOK PRIZE

Former Union minister Jairam Ramesh and US-based academician Amit Ahuja were on Thursday named the joint winners of the 2020 Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay NIF Book Prize

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Ahmedabad	27	17	Mumbai	31	25
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Jaipur	26	16	Patna	24	16
Amritsar	21	11	Lucknow	26	16
Chennai	29	23	Port Blair	29	24
Kolkata	28	16	Imphal	23	9
Srinagar	7	3	Chandigarh	25	15

Last year's NRC not final, Gauhati High Court told

In the supplementary list, over 10,000 names wrongly included or excluded

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR
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STATING that the "supplementary" National Register of Citizens (NRC), published on August 31 last year was not final, the NRC authority in Assam has told the Gauhati High Court that the Centre was not passing necessary directions for corrective measures even though the anomalies were reported in February.

In an affidavit filed before the High Court, a copy of which was accessed by this newspaper, NRC State Coordinator Hitesh Dev Sarma said the anomalies were reported to the Registrar General of India (RGI) on February 15 seeking necessary directions for corrective measures in the interest of an error-free NRC, which is of utmost importance as the NRC is directly related to national security and integrity.

"Rather, instructions have been received for issue of rejection slips and winding up of the operation of updation of NRC. The Registrar General of India is also silent on final publication of the NRC for which it is the only authority to take action and till date, the final NRC is yet to be published by Registrar General of India as per Clause 7 of the rules under the Citizenship Rules 2003," Sarma said.

In the supplementary list of the NRC, over 10,000 names were either wrongly included or excluded and necessary orders have been issued to delete nearly 4,800 "ineligible persons" from the document, Sarma said.

"About 10,199 numbers of formal requests were received from DRCRs to change the results of NRC. Out of 10,199 persons, a total of 5,404 numbers were for changing the result from 'reject' to 'accept' and a total of 4,795 were for changing result from 'accept' to 'reject'.

"It was found that the DRCRs requested to change results of NRC from 'accept to reject' for 1,032 ineligible persons belonging to Declared Foreigner (DF), Doubtful Voter (DV), Person having cases pending at Foreigners Tribunal (PFT), their descendants and for 3,763 numbers of person who were found ineligible for other reasons

NRC not yet notified by RGI

Though the final NRC was made public last year, it has not been notified by the Registrar General of India yet

An elderly voter being escorted by her daughters as she arrives to cast her vote for the fifth phase of DDC elections, at Wakura on Thursday | PTI

51% polling in fifth phase of J&K DDC polls, Mufti alleges rigging

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE fifth phase of the eight-phase District Development Council (DDC) elections in Jammu and Kashmir on Thursday recorded a voter turnout of 51.20 per cent — the second highest in the five phases of voting held so far.

Brisk polling was reported in Bandipora and Kupwara in north Kashmir while moderate polling was reported Baramulla, Budgam, Ganderbal district in Valley.

In all 10 districts in Jammu, moderate to brisk polling was recorded.

"Kashmir recorded 33.57 per cent voting and Jammu region 66.67 per cent voter turnout," the SEC said.

The authorities had set up 2104 polling stations — 1190 in Kashmir division and 914 in Jammu — and put in place adequate security measures. In Kashmir, the lowest voter turnout of 8.12 per cent was recorded in Pulwama district while the highest turnout of 56.40 per cent was recorded in Bandipora district. In Jammu, border district of Poonch recorded the highest voter turnout of 71.62% while the lowest of 60.24 % turnout was recorded in Jammu district.

Today's voter turnout of 51.2% per cent was the second highest of the five phases of DDC polls so far.

Meanwhile, PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti alleged that armed forces are being used to rig the DDC polls. "In a brazen display of power, armed forces are being used to rig this election & favour a particular party (sic)," Mehbooba tweeted.

PAGD leaders accuse authorities of helping BJP

Srinagar: The PAGD leaders have questioned the neutrality of authorities. "The entire machinery of the administration has taken upon itself the responsibility of helping the BJP," Omar Abdullah tweeted

BJP party of outsiders, deny it entry, Mamata tells voters

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolkata

LABELING the BJP a "party of outsiders", West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday issued a call to "save the state" by preventing outsiders' entry in Bengal.

"Remember BJP is not a party of Bengal but it is a party of Delhi, Gujarat. They should return to those states. Don't trust the BJP or believe them. If you want to fight elections in Bengal, do it without bringing outsiders," said Mamata while visiting a Duare Sarkar (government at your door-step" camp) at her Assembly constituency Bhawanipore.

Mamata's visit to the camp came a day after BJP's national president JP Nadda held a door-to-door campaign at Bhawanipore on Wednesday.

Without naming Nadda, Mamata took a dig at him for "roaming around" in the state while farmers were staging protests. "BJP workers from outside are putting up in guest houses and small hotels to create trouble in the state. I know how RSS workers come to our state before elections and the places where they are put up. But we don't misbehave with you for accommodating those workers," she added.

Democracy being bulldozed, claims Didi

West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee on Thursday claimed that democracy was being bulldozed and voices muzzled in the country, and vowed that her government was committed to upholding human rights

Responding to the BJP's criticisms on the alleged deterioration in the state's law and order situation, she said that the saffron camp does not belong to our state but should go back to Delhi and Gujarat as they belong to those states.

"The Centre has not given any money but is questioning our work and seeking our accounts. We are doing the work and they are seeking answers from us," she said.

Mamata alleged the BJP workers are creating trouble in the state by holding rallies with arms and weapons.

"They (BJP activists) are coming out (for rallies) with arms every day. They are slapping themselves and blaming it on the Trinamool Congress. Just think of the situation. They are roaming around with the BSF, CRPF, Army and the CISF (personnel). Why are they so scared?" Banerjee said.

She promised to provide food and health services free of cost to the people of Bengal is her party keeps power.

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THE BJP sought intervention by Bengal governor Jagdeep Dhankhar, who summoned the chief secretary and director general of police.

Nadda said the attack reflected the lawlessness in Bengal. "Bengal is witnessing gundaraj. When I say it, I mean it," he said while addressing party workers in Diamond Harbour. On why he chose to visit Mamata and her nephew's constituencies, Nadda said, "These are origins of corruption, extortion and intolerance. This was why I wanted to visit these areas."

'Cars may have collided'

"They travelled to Diamond Harbour with a convoy of 50 vehicles. I don't know whether the damage of the cars was because of collisions between their own vehicles," Mamata said

Asked about the division in the Bengal BJP on the issue of presidential rule in the state, Nadda said the sentiment of people in the state is in favour of it.

Meanwhile, Mamata Banerjee said the police will investigate what actually happened. "The BJP kept the state government in the dark about their leaders' movement and political programmes," she said.

Abhishek Banerjee described the attack on Nadda's convoy as a reflection of common people's anger against the BJP.

However, both the Congress and the CPM condemned the attack saying the national president of a political party has the right to travel in any state.

Attack reflects lawlessness in Bengal: BJP president

Am sure they have immunity and protection of political police with administration extension of political outfit. Events indicate total abdication of lawful authority

Jagdeep Dhankhar, West Bengal Governor

Bengal has descended into an era of tyranny, anarchy and darkness under the Trinamool rule. The manner in which political violence has been institutionalised and brought to the extreme in West Bengal under TMC rule is sad and worrying

Amit Shah

Centre seeks detailed report on security lapses

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Centre on Thursday sought a detailed report from West Bengal government over attack on BJP chief JP Nadda's convoy.

In its communication to West Bengal chief secretary Alapan Bandyopadhyay, the Union home ministry cited "serious security lapses". Later, a second communication was sent to Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar. He was asked to give a detailed report on the law and order situation in the state and the steps being taken by the state government in maintaining peace and tranquility after the attack.

Condemning the attack, Shah said the Centre was taking the "incident seriously" and the West Bengal government "will have to answer to the peace-loving people of the state for this sponsored violence." He said the state has "descended into an era of tyranny and anarchy" under the Trinamool rule.

Nadda's convoy was allegedly attacked with stones and bricks while on its way to Diamond Harbour in Kolkata.

Cars of several party leaders including that of BJP national general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya and West Bengal BJP chief Dilip Ghosh which were part of the convoy were damaged in the alleged attack.

9 infants die within hours at Kota hosp

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

NINE newborns babies have died at a state-run hospital in Rajasthan's Kota in a span of few hours, officials said on Thursday. This is the hospital where 107 children died within 35 days last November-December.

The first death was recorded at 3 am on Wednesday and the 9th around 10.30 am on Thursday. All the infants were aged between 1 and 7 days. Hospital Superintendent Dr SC Dulara said, "Three out of 9 newborns had died when they reached the hospital. Three had congenital diseases. One of them had no head and the other had water inside the head. The third lacked sugar. The 2 children who have been referred from Bundi, had an infection."

Dr Dulara said that about 60 to 100 children die every month in the hospital. In daily terms, this figure varies between two and five. However, the death of 9 children in one day is not common.

State's health minister Raghu Sharma has ordered an inquiry and sought a report from the hospital.

The district collector has ordered the state authorities to deploy five additional doctors and 10 nursing staff to the hospital.

EXPRESS READ

Navlakha denied glasses, probe on

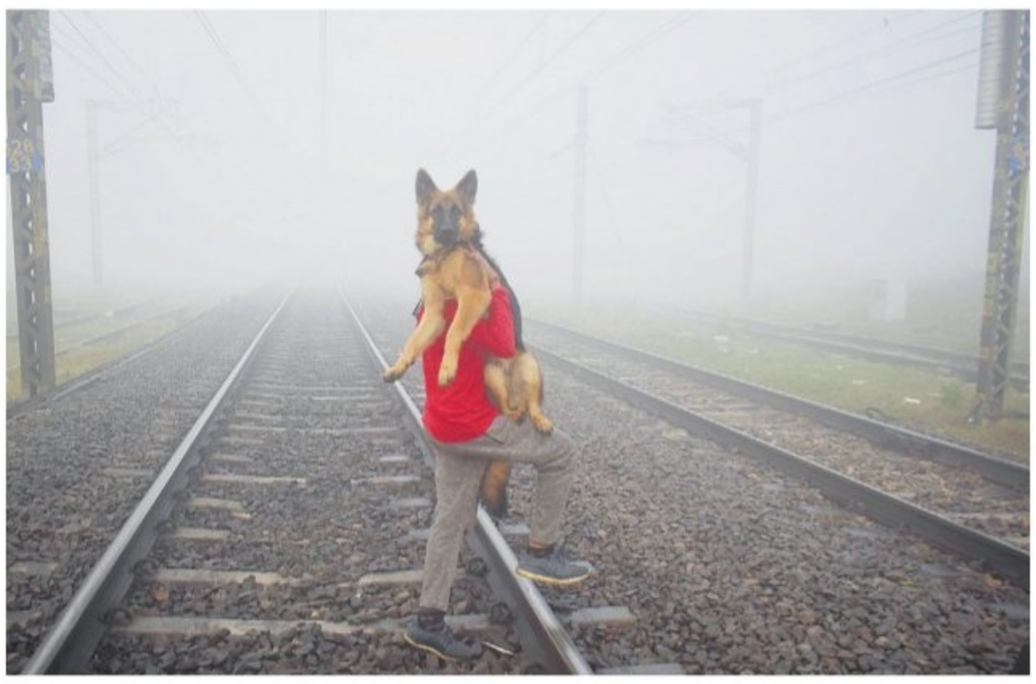
Mumbai: Maharashtra Home Minister Anil Deshmukh has ordered a probe into Taloja prison authorities allegedly denying Elgar Parishad-Maoist links case accused Gautam Navlakha spectacles after they refused to accept a parcel sent by the latter's family .Deshmukh made the announcement on Twitter

5-yr-old Dalit girl gang-raped in UP

Lucknow: A five-year-old Dalit girl was gang-raped allegedly by two juvenile boys in the Jalaun district of Uttar Pradesh on Wednesday. The girls in under treatment in a critical condition. The police have registered a rape case against the two boys aged between 11 and 14 years

Rajnath takes aim at China in Asean meet

New Delhi: Amid continuing India-China tensions along the LAC, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday stressed on the importance of the rules-based order. He was addressing the 14th ASEAN Defence Ministers Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus), also attended by his Chinese counterpart Wei Fenghe. "Threats to the rules-based order, maritime security, cyber-related crimes and terrorism, remain the challenges that we need to address" he said.



COLD WINTER MORNING

A man carrying a dog crosses a railway track amid dense fog in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh on Thursday | PTI

HC told to take call on pleas against scrapping Roshni Act

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday asked the Jammu and Kashmir High Court to decide on pleas seeking review of its October verdict scrapping the Roshni Act, which conferred proprietary rights to the occupants of the state land. The apex court said it will hear the appeals filed before it challenging the October 9 verdict of the high court next month.

The Jammu and Kashmir High Court had on October 9 declared the Roshni Act "illegal, unconstitutional and unsustainable", and ordered a CBI probe into the allotment of land under this law.

The Roshni Act was enacted in 2001 with the twin objective of generating resources for financing power projects and conferment of proprietary rights to the occupants of state land.

A bench headed by Justice N V Ramana noted the verbal assurance of Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, who appeared for the Jammu and Kashmir administration, that no coercive action will be taken against those petitioners who have approached the top court in the matter as they are not land grabbers or unauthorised people. Mehta told the apex court that the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir has already filed a review petition in the high court and said that the authority is not against bonafide and common people who are not land grabbers.

Convocation for 200 students amid Covid

Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira will hold its annual convocation on the Belur campus on December 12 maintaining all health and safety protocols. Around 200 students of undergraduate, postgraduate, PhD and MPhil will be awarded their degree certificates during the ceremony. The college authorities said they had decided to hold the ceremony on the campus as Unlock VI guidelines of the Centre allowed social, academic, and other congregations in closed spaces using up to 50 per cent of the hall capacity and with up to 200 people.

PRANAB MONDAL
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KOLKATA DIARY

About 1,500 live turtles seized

Around 1,500 dead and live turtles, stacked in jute sacks and being ferried with onions, were seized from a pick-up van in Barasat, North 24-Parganas, on the northern fringe of Kolkata, on Wednesday. Police arrested six men who were ferrying the turtles. The pick-up van had a registration number issued by the Uttar Pradesh government and all six accused are from Sultanpur in UP. "We seized 1,295 live and 188 dead Indian flap shell turtles and 17 live Indian Peacock-shell turtles. Both species are protected under Schedule I of the Wildlife Protection Act," said an official of the forest department.

State gears up for vaccine drive

West Bengal government will start training senior health officials in various districts on how to handle cold chains after the Centre on Tuesday asked state governments to ramp up infrastructure to store Covid-19 vaccines, and also, prepare for the immunisation process. A cold chain is a temperature-controlled unit where handlers are responsible for the storage and preservation of vaccines for immunisations and last-mile delivery. There are 25-40 cold chain centres in each Bengal district. Last week, the central health ministry said vaccines would arrive by the end of December or early next year

IIEST to hold exams digitally

Indian Institute of Engineering Science And Technology, Shibpur will hold its upcoming semester exams through a digital platform after students, during Monday's senate meeting, expressed their fears about writing the tests on the campus because of the Covid-19 pandemic, said an official of the institute. Final-year BTech students of the Shibpur institute had written the final semester supplementary exams on the campus last month, but a much larger number will write the upcoming semester tests. Only 59 students had written the supplementary exams on the campus while as many as 3,000 are slated to write the semester tests in December and January.

$50

The price of Brent oil hit $50 for the first time in nine months amid vaccine hopes

GLOBAL WEATHER

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Beijing	18	7	SNY	Los Angeles	31	18	SNY
Colombo	30	26	TDS	Melbourne	24	13	LC
Dhaka	34	25	LC	Moscow	15	9	LR
Dubai	37	25	SNY	New York	13	13	HR
Houston	33	21	LC	Singapore	32	26	TDS
Istanbul	24	17	LC	Toronto	16	11	LC
London	12	9	LR	Washington	19	15	LR

US evaluates Pfizer vaccine as country sets virus record

24 experts of FDA advisory committee mull over endorsing vaccine

WASHINGTON

US experts met on Thursday to assess whether to grant emergency approval for Pfizer-BioNTech's Covid-19 vaccine and allow America to become the next country to move ahead with mass immunization.

The country has logged one of its worst-ever daily Covid-19 death tolls with more than 3,000 people lost to the pandemic.

The independent committee of experts convened by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will hold a non-binding vote at the end of the day, and the US regulator will determine after that whether to issue an emergency use authorization (EUA).

The arguments in favor seem to be overwhelming -- it has already been greenlit by Britain and Canada -- and the full results of a huge clinical trial of the vaccine were published Thursday, another major milestone.

These confirmed it was 95% effective with no serious safety issues, an outcome that was described in an accompanying editorial as a "triumph."

"The trial results are impressive enough to hold up in any conceivable analysis," the editorial said.

Nevertheless, the two dozen voting members of the Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) were expected to mull outstanding issues closely in a live streamed event held over the course of the day.

These include difficult questions like when people who were on the placebo-arm of the trial should receive the vaccine, a tricky debate that weighs the need for more controlled data against paying back altruistic volunteers for their service.

If the panel votes in favor, as they are expected to, FDA approval could come at any time.

"We could then have an EUA within days and be administering doses of vaccine to our most vulnerable next week," Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar said.

In a trial of almost 44,000 people, there were two deaths in the vaccine arm and four in the placebo, with none thought to be related to BNT162b2, the technical name for the jab.

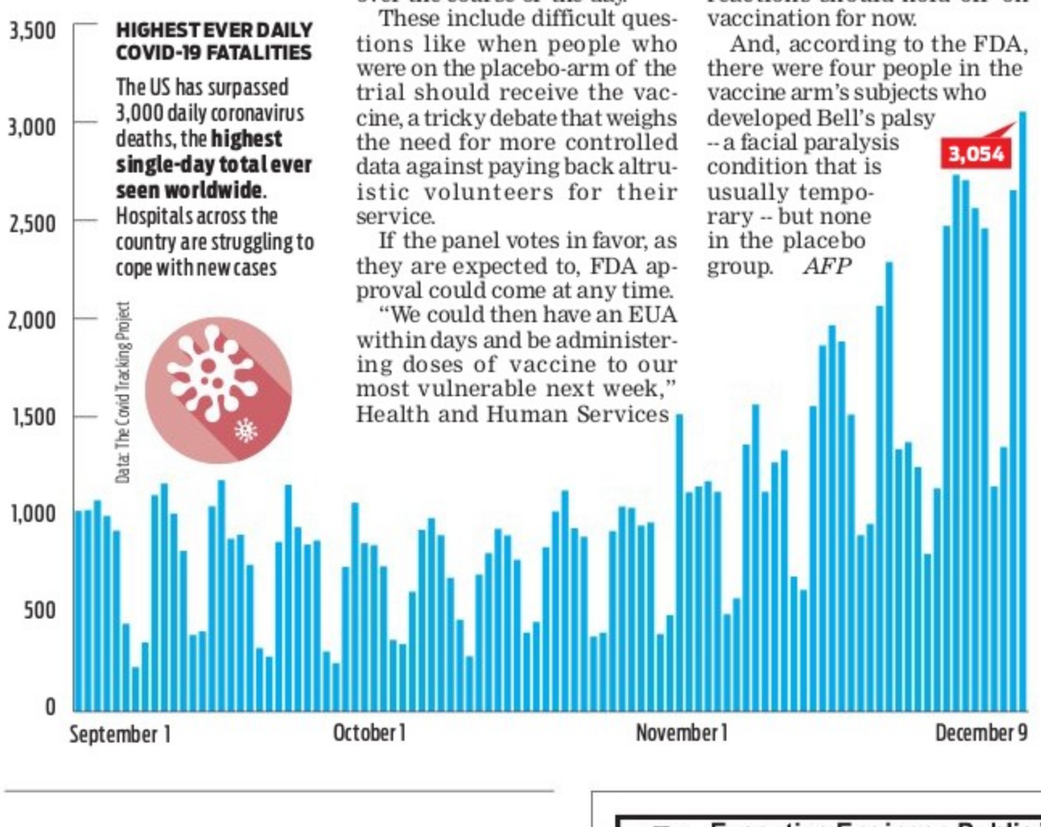
Run-of-the-mill side effects

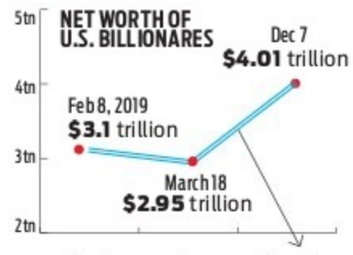
The most common side effects were run of the mill for vaccines, such as injection site reactions, fatigue and headache.

But Britain on Wednesday reported that two health care workers developed significant allergic reactions to the vaccine as the country rolled out its massive drive Tuesday.

Should the US panel vote to approve, they will almost certainly recommend that people who are predisposed to allergic reactions should hold off on vaccination for now.

And, according to the FDA, there were four people in the vaccine arm's subjects who developed Bell's palsy -- a facial paralysis condition that is usually temporary -- but none in the placebo group. *AFP*





The increase is more than the **$916 bn** virus stimulus package being considered by US Congress

SOURCE: Institute for Policy Studies and Americans for Tax Fairness (ATF)

The jet set profit during pandemic

America's billionaires have seen their wealth rise by more than $1 trillion since the start of the coronavirus pandemic

$3,000

The $1 trillion wealth increase would pay for stimulus checks of $3,000 for all of the roughly 300 million Americans

Never before has America seen such an accumulation of wealth in so few hands

Frank Clemente, ATF's executive director

Surge in jobless claims shows need for stimulus

New applications for US unemployment benefits surged last week by 137,000, according to government data released Thursday, underscoring the need for more economic stimulus as Covid-19 cases hit new peaks. The gain was far higher than economists had been expecting and ramps up pressure on US lawmakers to break the impasse on a new federal relief package to help families and businesses hit by the pandemic. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin unveiled a $916 billion proposal earlier this week that included extended unemployment benefits and $600 stimulus tchecks.

Biden to pick Asian-American as top trade envoy

WASHINGTON

US President-elect Joe Biden is set to nominate Katherine Tai to be the top US trade envoy, according to two people familiar with his plans.

Tai, who is chief trade counsel for the House Ways and Means Committee, will be tapped as the US Trade Representative, as per two people who spoke Wednesday on the condition of anonymity.

The role is a Cabinet position, and the Senate will vote on whether to confirm Tai for the position. Fluent in Mandarin Chinese, Tai earlier oversaw China trade enforcement for the Office of the US Trade Representative, setting US strategy in trade disputes with China. Biden's trade representative will inherit a trade war with China, put on pause by an interim trade pact in January that left many of the hardest issues unresolved and US taxes remaining on $360 billion in Chinese imports.

As the top trade staffer at Ways and Means, Tai handled negotiations last year with the Trump administration over a revamped North American trade deal. Under pressure from Democrats, Trump's trade team agreed to strengthen the pact to make it easier for Mexican workers to form independent unions and demand better pay and benefits -- decreasing the incentives for US firms to move south of the border to make use of cheap labour.

Tai is considered a problem-solving pragmatist. *AP*

Big queues of lorries snake into the port of Dover, England, amid another day of disruption at other cargo ports partially due to Brexit stockpiling | AFP

Strong possibility of no-deal Brexit, warns Johnson

BRUSSELS

BRITISH Prime Minister Boris Johnson said on Thursday there is a "strong possibility" that the United Kingdom will fail to sign a post-Brexit trade deal with the European Union.

He added that "now is the time" for businesses and the British public to prepare for the outcome, though negotiators will continue talks.

"There's now a strong possibility... that we will have a solution that's much more like an Australian relationship with the EU than a Canadian," he said, referring to Britain trading in future with the EU on pared-down WTO terms.

Prior to his comments, EU chief Ursula von der Leyen on Thursday published a back-up plan to protect road and air travel and fishing rights if Britain leaves the union without a trade deal.

The UK left the European Union on Jan 31 and at the end of this month will leave the bloc's single market and customs union

Negotiators from London and Brussels have been trying to agree a follow-on trade pact that would govern cross-Channel business after the transition period ends, but talks are deadlocked with three weeks to go.

The EU's Michel Barnier and his UK counterpart David Frost resumed their talks on Thursday with barely 72 hours left before the decisive moment, and the contingency plan served as "no deal" warning shot.

"Negotiations are still ongoing. However, given that the end of the transition is very near, there is no guarantee that if and when an agreement is found, it can enter into force on time," von der Leyen said.

Boris Johnson travelled to Brussels on Wednesday for a working dinner with von der Leyen to talk through the logjam. *AFP*

US antitrust suits seek to Forcibly split up Facebook

NEW YORK

US federal and state antitrust enforcers filed suit against Facebook on Wednesday claiming the social media giant abused its dominant position and seeking to unwind its acquisitions of messaging services Instagram and WhatsApp.

Separate suits filed by the Federal Trade Commission and a coalition of state officials called for the divestment of Instagram and WhatsApp, services which are part of the Facebook "family" of applications.

"Facebook's actions to entrench and maintain its monopoly deny consumers the benefits of competition," said Ian Conner, director of the FTC's Bureau of Competition. "Our aim is to roll back Facebook's anticompetitive conduct and restore competition so that innovation and free competition can thrive."

A separate legal action was filed by antitrust enforcers from 48 US states and territories.

"For nearly a decade, Facebook has used its dominance and monopoly power to crush smaller rivals and snuff out competition, all at the expense of everyday users," said New York state Attorney General Letitia James, who leads the coalition. The suits allege Facebook sought to squelch competition by acquiring the messaging applications -- Instagram in 2012 and WhatsApp in 2014.

The action presages a fierce court battle seeking to force Facebook to divest the apps which have become an increasingly important element of the business model of the California giant and integrated into its technology. Facebook said it would "vigorously" defend its actions and denied abusing its position.

"Antitrust laws exist to protect consumers and promote innovation, not to punish successful businesses," Facebook general counsel Jennifer Newstead said in a statement.

"Instagram and WhatsApp became the incredible products they are today because Facebook invested billions of dollars, and years of innovation and expertise, to develop new features and better experiences for the millions who enjoy those products."

Newstead added that these deals had been approved years ago by the FTC, which she said meant "the government now wants a do-over, sending a chilling warning to American business that no sale is ever final." The case is also likely to hinge on the data Facebook collects. *AFP*

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Tender Notification No: 30/2020-21 Dt: 13.11.2020

Tender is invited through e-Procurement for the works in the limits of the K.G.F. Taluk Public Works Department from the Registered Contractors under **H/A: 4059-Dist.** Administration. Amount put to tender: **Rs.772.94 lakhs.** EMD Amount: **Rs.11.60 lakhs.** Period for completion of work: **11 months.** Contractors may download the tender documents KW-4 from Karnataka State e-Procurement portal (**viz.,http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**) Filled in tenders shall be uploaded on or before **4.00 p.m. on 17.12.2020** through Karnataka State e-Procurement portal. Tender received will be opened after **4.30 p.m. on 18.12.2020** in e-Procurement. Further details regarding the works and also for details about this tender notification please contact e-Procurement portal and also you may contact this office during working hours.

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I, **SHARADA SREENIVASAN**, aged about 71 years, W/o N.S. Sreenivasan, R/at #18, Flat No.302 (TF-2), Pallavi Pristine Apts., 15th Main, 37th Cross, Jayanagar 4th "T" Block, Bangalore-560041, Karnataka, India, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NAGAMANGALA SRINIVASAN SHARADA** to **SHARADA SREENIVASAN**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **SHARADA SREENIVASAN** only, vide affidavit dated 09.12.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **D.K. RAMESHAPPA**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **AVIN C. J**, S/o C. N. Jayadev, aged about 37 years, having Aadhar No: 852182068948, Presently R/at No.L-71, Kirloskar Colony, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwarnagar, Near Aurobindo School, Bangalore 560079, have changed my name from **AVIN C. J** to **"C. J. AVIN ARADYA"**. vide affidavit dated 10.12.2020 sworn to before Notary **D. G. Shanthappa**, at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) JOICY PULIYANI JOHNY, residing at No. 203, Monish Park, Patel Gundappa Block, Pemme Gowda Road, J.C.Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560006, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) JOICY PULIYANI JOHNY** to **(NEW NAME) JOICY VARGHESE** vide affidavit Dated 09/12/2020 sworn before Notary R.Basavaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PETER D'SOUZA,** S/o LAWRENCE D'SOUZA, residing at No.133, 1st Square, Austin Town, Bengaluru – 560 047, have corrected my biological father name as LAWRENCE D'SOUZA from Narayan Kothandan (who was only my care taker) vide affidavit dated 10.12.2020, Notarial Reg.No.400/2020 sworn before notary N. Narayanaswamy, Advocate & notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **HANNA SHAH**, D/o Mohammed Shah @ Mohammed Iqbal Shab and W/o Azhar Saquib Ahmed, aged about 24 years, R/at Villa No.82-Z, Site No.35/104/1A, Wood Pecker Lane, Sunny Brooks, Sarjapura Road, Bengaluru-560035, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **HANNA SHAH** to **HANNA SHAH AHMED**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **HANNA SHAH AHMED** only, vide affidavit dated 09.12.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **S. PRASANNA KUMAR**, Bengaluru.

NAME DECLARATION
I, **JACINTHA D SOUZA** W/o Felix Edward Rodrigues, R/at No.136/707, 2nd Cross, 4th Phase, New Town Yelahanka, Bangalore 560064.
I hereby declare that my name is called as **JACINTHA D SOUZA and JESSIE RODRIGUES** these both names are belongs to me only, vide Affidavit dated 10.12.2020 sworn to before Notary **G R Ravichandra Reddy**, at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NASEERUDDIN AHMED KHAN**, S/o. Ahmed Khan, Resident at Flat No. 4, No. 31/1, 3rd Floor, Limar Residency, Near 8th Mile T Dasarahalli, Bangalore - 560 067, have changed my name from **NASEERUDDIN** to **NASEERUDDIN AHMED KHAN** vide affidavit dated 9.12.2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary A.S. Narayana Reddy, at Bangalore.

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It is notified for the information that my Original/Duplicate Qualifying Examination Certificate of Main/ Secondary, Senior Secondary Examination of Year 2013 and **Roll No. 8111608** issued by CBSE has been actually lost. Name of the candidate **MUHAMMED INAMULLAH KHAN,** Full Address/Tel. # 27, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Chinnappa Garden, Benson Town Post, Bangalore-46, Phone No. 9740019133.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt. LAKSHMI DEVI .K**, W/o Late Srinivas .D.V, aged about 52 years, R/at No.9, 1st Main Road, 1st Cross, Near Vinayaka Temple, Vinayakanagara, Kamakshipalya, Bangalore-560079, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **DHANALAKSHMI .K** to **LAKSHMI DEVI .K**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **LAKSHMI DEVI .K** only, Vide affidavit dated 10.12.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **AMBUJAKSHI**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) FARJANA BANO, W/o Firoz Ahmed Solanki, Residing at No. 13, 6th Cross, S.L.V Temple Road, Bommanahalli Near Mangammanpalya Lake, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru-560068, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) FARJANA BANO** to **(NEW NAME) FARZANA BANU** vide affidavit dated 07.12.2020 sworn before notary R. Basavaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHERLY SANTOSH**, W/o. Santosh Paul Steaphen and Resident at No. 21, 4th Cross, Annayappa Block, Benson Town, Bengaluru - 560 046, have changed my name from **SHERLY SANTOSH PAUL** to **SHERLY SANTOSH** vide affidavit dated 9.12.2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary A.S. Narayana Reddy, at Bangalore.

MARKS CARD LOST
I, **PRAVAR CHHAJER,** Son of Naveen Chhajer, aged about 21 years, residing at No.9, 'BIKSHU KRUPA', 4th Cross, Gandhinagara, Bengaluru-560009, do hereby affirm and sincerely state that I have irretrievably lost my **Class XII, Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations Pass Certificate.** I appeared for the examination in 2017, from St. Joseph's Boy's High School, Bangalore and **my ID No.6036597.** In this regard I had lodged Police Complaint at Crime Branch, Bengaluru City Police, vide Lost Report No.161033, dated.10.12.2020.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **CHAITHRA .H.R,** W/o Sri. Swamy .L, aged about 35 years, R/at GF-2, 'SUMUKHA ENCLAVE' Apartment, 1st Cross, 2nd Main, Rajamma Industrial Layout, Uttarahalli, Bangalore-560061, do hereby declare that, I have changed our Minor son's name from **SATHVIK SWAMY** to **ANVIK KAVAN GOWDA,** hereafter he will be known and called as **ANVIK KAVAN GOWDA** only, vide affidavit dated 10.12.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **V. SRINIVASA REDDY,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) ARUL KUMAR.C, Residing at No. 917, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross, Muneshwara Layout, Laggere, Bangalore-560058, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) ARUL KUMAR.C** to **(NEW NAME) ARUL CHANDRAN** vide affidavit Dated 02/12/2020 sworn before Notary V.Rangaramu, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GONGATI NARASIMHA REDDY**, aged 61 years, Son of Late Gongati Budda Reddy, residing at No. 253, 5th Main, 10th Cross, M.S.R. Nagar, Bangalore - 560 054, Karnataka State, have changed my name from **GONGATI LAXMI NARSIMHA REDDY** to **GONGATI NARASIMHA REDDY** vide affidavit dated 10.12.2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary T.C. Thimmaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
(FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF WIDOWS OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND CHANGE OF NAME OF WIVES OF VETERANS AND SERVING SOLDIERS) I, JC 820605 K, Rank: NB SUB, Name : GURAPPA SUNNAL presently Residing at 272, Transit Camp, Pathankot Pin-919272, C/o. 56 APO., permanently residing at H.No.3198/4, Venkateshwar Nagar, Lokapur, **Village & Post:** Lokapur, **The:** Mudhol, **District:** Bagalkot, **State:** Karnataka, **Pin:** 587122, have changed my Son name from **PRADEEP** to **PRADEEP SUNNAL** and his date of birth is 19.03.2003, vide affidavit dated 10.12.2020, before Notary DAYANAND .G, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MOHAMMED NAZRULLA, Residing at No. 13, 2nd Floor, Ist Cross, Krishnappa Garden, 4th 'T' Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560041, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) MOHAMMED NAZRULLA** to **(NEW NAME) MOHMMED NAZRULLA** vide affidavit dated 10/12/2020 sworn before Notary V.Rajashekhara, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt. Uma,** W/o. Manjunath R., Aged about 41 years, R/at # 224/A, 5th Cross, 1st Main, Kempegowda Nagara, Byadarahalli, Magadi Main Road, Vishwaneedam Post, Bengaluru - 560 091, do hereby declare that **Mahalakshmi C.** and **Uma** both the names are one and the same. Hence, I am changing my name as **Uma.** Vide affidavit dated 28.01.2019 sworn before Advocate & Notary B.K.R. Krishnamurthy, Bangalore.

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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
143.62 ▼	Sensex	45,959.8	₹68 ▼	24 carat (1 gm)	₹5,042	₹1,200 ▼	Per kg	₹66,800	▲ Dollar		73.66
50.80 ▼	Nifty	13,478.30	₹62 ▼	22 carat (1 gm)	₹4,622	₹1.2 ▼	Per gm	₹66.8	▼ Euro		89.06

SCI disinvestment: EoI likely to be out next week

Adani, Essar Shipping, Vedanta among initial interested canditates

ANURADHA SHUKLA @ New Delhi

THE government is likely to invite Expression of Interest (EoI) for the disinvestment of Shipping Corporation of India (SCI) by next week. According to sources in the finance ministry, the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) and the board members of the state-owned company will meet next week to finalise the EoI for SCI sale.

"The strategic divestment of SCI is the top priority for the government and next week there will be a meeting to give final touches to the terms and conditions of the EoI document. If cleared, the government will immediately invite bids for the same. The internal deadline is December 30 so it has to be done before that," said a finance ministry official.

The government has already initiated the process to sell its entire 63.75 per cent stake in SCI and sources say companies like Essar Shipping, Adani, Vedanta, GE Shipping and Dubai Port World have expressed initial interest in the company.

Highest-ever target

For the current fiscal year, the budget has pegged disinvestment proceeds at ₹2.1 lakh crore. This includes ₹1.2 lakh crore from CPSE share sale and ₹90,000 crore from public sector banks. So far this fiscal, ₹6,533 crore has been mopped up through CPSE stake sale.

The finance ministry had appointed Transaction Advisors, Asset Valuers and Legal for privatisation of SCI and the due diligence process is in progress. The company's board, had also approved the taking of all necessary actions for implementing "demerger/hiving off" of non-core assets in line with the direction received from the Ministry of Shipping. Currently, Shipping Corporation has a fleet strength of 59 vessels and is the largest Indian shipping company catering to the overseas and coastal transportation of goods.

Separately, the government has given additional time to the bidders of Air India for submitting a physical copy of the Expression of Interest, which can now be done by December 29. "In Clause 10.17, reference to "within 7 days of EOI Deadline" (time period for physical copy submission for EOI submitted by email within timelines as per clause 1.2 of the PIM) should be read as "within 15 days of EOI Deadline (i.e. on or before 17:00:00 Hrs of 29th December, 2020)", a notification by the Finance ministry said. Consequent to the change, date of Intimation to the qualified interested bidders should now be read as January 5, 2021.

Tatas reject Mistrys' settlement offer

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Tata Group on Thursday rejected the share swap offer made by Shapoorji Pallonji Group and even called it a 'nonsense' proposal.

"It is nonsense. This kind of relief cannot be granted," senior advocate Harish Salve, appearing for the Tatas' told the Supreme Court. Salve argued that accepting such an offer could spill over to other Tata group's listed firms where the SP group would be again holding minority stake.

The Mistry family led conglomerate had previously suggested swapping their 18.37 per cent stake Tata Sons Private Ltd in for shares, worth ₹1.75 lakh crore, in the listed Tata companies. Tata Group claims that Mistrys stake is valued between ₹70,000-80,000 crore. With the two groups yet to reach a consensus, the legal tussle is likely to continue.

SP Group in October had submitted a plan of separation to the top Court, seeking to end its long association with the Tata Group. The SC is hearing cross appeals filed by Tata Sons and Cyrus Investments against NCLAT's order (December 2019) which had restored Cyrus Mistry as the executive chairman of Tata Group.

C A Sundaram, appearing for Cyrus Investment, spoke extensively about the oppression faced by the minority shareholders, including the SP Group in the Tata Group companies. "If you are a board managed company but the company is being run by the two nominee directors of Tata Sons, then what is the point of even bringing the matter to the Board,' Sundaram said, adding that the Tata Sons is 'effectively not a board managed company'," said Sundaram. "The entire case is of 'oppression' by Tata sons to SP group and 'downstream companies get affected if the two nominees of the Tata Sons take a wrong decision for them. The whole thing came to a head because Mistry was going to table a Corporate governance document which proposed to regulate the Tata Trusts' say in the Tata Sons," he added.

India's GDP to contract 8%, set to be worst performer in South Asia

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

INDIA's GDP is expected to contract by 8 per cent in the current financial year and will be the worst performer in South Asia barring Maldives. Bangladesh will post the best growth in the region growing at 5.2 per cent on the back of revived exports, said the Asian Development Bank said in its Asian Development Outlook.

With the Indian economy normalising, it expected the nation to post a contraction of 8 per cent against an earlier predicted 9 per cent. It also expects the Indian economy to rebound to a positive 8 per cent growth in 2021.

"Having contracted by 23.9 per cent in Q1 of fiscal year 2020 (FY2020, ending 31 March 2021), the Indian economy began to normalise after containment measures started in ease in June," ADB said.

Economists said that India's GDP which had posted a sharp contraction in the April-June 2020 quarter rebounded to a 7.5 per cent contraction the second quarter on the back of a better showing in agriculture where Gross Value Added (GVA) increased by 3.4 per cent.

"The acreage under Rabi cultivation is reported to be substantially higher, particularly in high-value storage in the reservoirs, one can expect another good year of agricultural growth," said Dr M Govinda Rao, former member of the PM's Economic Advisory Council in a note for Brickworks Ratings.

Bangladesh is expected to grow by 5.2 per cent on the back of an economic recovery spurred by stronger than expected growth in exports and remittances. Pakistan is expected to see contraction by 0.4 per cent according to an earlier Outlook by ADB in September and Sri Lanka, which depends on tourism, to contract by 5.5 per cent.

Rao in his note also noted that revenue constraints will impact the government's capital expenditure, particularly at the state level, which accounts for over two-thirds of total government sector capex, adding "it would be too optimistic to expect the private sector to lift the capital formation numbers."

ALL IN RED

Cement stocks plunge as CCI initiates probe

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SHARES of cement companies plunged about 2-4 per cent as the competition watchdog initiated an investigation against alleged anti-competitive behaviour. Shares of UltraTech, ACC and Ambuja Cement declined 1.5-3 per cent, while stocks of regional players including JK Cement and JK Lakshmi Cement fell over two per cent. Shares of Ramco Cements (down 4.17 per cent), Dalmia Bharat (down 4.29 per cent), Heidelbergcement India (down 0.17 per cent) and Shree Cement (down 2.73 per cent) also ended in red on Thursday.

The Competition Commission of India has initiated an investigation against ACC Ltd. and Ambuja Cements Ltd., the two companies said in their exchange filings. Both the Holcim group subsidiaries, however, said that they have acted in compliance with competition laws and are fully cooperating with the investigation and providing all necessary information to the authorities. Reuters reported, citing unnamed people, that searches were also conducted at offices of UltraTech Cement Ltd nd two subsidiaries of the world's largest cement maker Lafarge-Holcim. The investigation comes after Roads and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari hinted at possible "cartelisation" and "black marketing technique" in the industry.

DoT to soon announce spectrum bands for 5G

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE government will soon go ahead with the much-awaited and delayed 5G spectrum auction, two leading telecom officials said on Thursday at the Indian Mobile Congress 2020.

K Ramchand, member (technology), DoT said that the department is consulting with users of spectrum and they would soon announce spectrum bands crucial for rolling out 5G services. He added that 5G can work on sub-Gigahertz (GHz), 600 MHz mid and millimeter bands, in which some of the services are being used by defence and broadcasting ministries as well as the department of space.

> Trai has already recommended spectrum allocation for trials. The service provider has to initiate testing of India specific use cases
>
> SK Gupta, secretary, Trai

According to SK Gupta, secretary, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai), the Department of Telecommunications is considering the regulator's recommendation for auction of spectrum in the 3300-3600 MHz bands for 5G services and that the DoT may conduct auctions soon.

Gupta added that 5G promises sufficient India-specific use cases along with viable and affordable business model.

On the issue of pricing, Gupta noted that the regulator has made efforts to ensure that the price of radiowaves is reasonable and market-friendly. He added that the allocation of spectrum in E and V bands would facilitate the quick roll out of 5G services at affordable prices. Trai has recommended a price of Rs 492 crore per Mhz for spectrum in the 3,300-3,600 Mhz band. Telecom service providers have repeatedly said that this price is way too high. "Identification, development and testing of India-specific use cases is an important parameter for the success of the roll-out of 5G," Gupta said.

EXPRESS READ

Hina Nagarajan set to head United Spirits

New Delhi: United Spirits Ltd (USL), a part of global liquor giant Diageo, on Thursday appointed Hina Nagarajan as the company's new CEO with effect from July 1, 2021 replacing Anand Kripalu. Nagarajan is currently the MD of the Africa Regional Markets at Diageo and will join USL as the CEO-Designate from April 1.

FM clears MSME dues of ₹21,000 cr since May

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

IN a bid to mitigate the financial stress of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs), the finance ministry on Thursday said that over ₹21,000 crore of MSME dues have been paid in past seven months by central government agencies and Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs). Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Thursday reviewed the situation about outstanding payments MSMEs. Top officials including Secretary in the Department of Financial Services Debasish Panda, MSME Secretary A.K. Sharma, among others, were also present.

"Since the month of May 2020, regular follow-up and concerted efforts have been made by the government, particularly by the MSME Ministry for payment of these dues. Particular focus was placed on CPSEs and central government agencies for payment of dues to MSMEs," an official statement said. As part of the Aatmanirbhar Bharat package announced in May this year, MSME dues from central government agencies and CPSEs should have been paid in 45 days. The matter came into light after MSME minister Nitin Gadkari flagged the issue. That apart, the government has also increased its pace of procurement from the MSMEs. It also noted that the highest level of procurement was achieved in October of over ₹5,100 crore and payment of over ₹4,100 crore. Going by the reports received in first ten days for November, it said, this level of performance is expected to be surpassed as procurement of about ₹4,700 crore and payment of about ₹4,000 crore have been reported.

NEW STRATEGY

Walmart to triple Indian exports to $10 bn

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

GLOBAL retail major Walmart on Thursday said it will triple its exports of goods from India to $10 billion each year by 2027. The company's new export commitment is expected to give a major boost to the manufacturing sector in the country and provide a significant boost to micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs).

The expansion in sourcing will include helping develop new suppliers in categories such as food, pharmaceuticals, consumables, health and wellness, and general merchandise, along with apparel, homeware and other key Indian export categories, the company said in a statement.

To accelerate exports, Walmart will strengthen its supply chain ecosystem in India, both by boosting existing exporters and by expanding the nation's pool of export-ready businesses. The company said it sees huge potential in Indian suppliers to grow their businesses by leveraging the unique scale and global distribution opportunity that Walmart provides.

"By significantly accelerating our annual India exports in the coming years, we are supporting the Make in India initiative and helping more local businesses reach international customers, while creating jobs and prosperity at home in India. It is also a way for Walmart to bring more high-quality, India-made goods to millions of customers all across the world," said Doug McMillon, president and chief executive officer of Walmart Inc.

India is already one of Walmart's top sourcing markets, with annual exports worth about $3 billion. India-made apparel, homeware, jewellery, hardlines and other popular products currently reach customers in 14 markets, including the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Central America, and the United Kingdom, via Walmart's Global Sourcing office in Bangalore, which opened in 2002.

As the sourcing hubs ramp up, the local team will be empowered to make an even greater impact for local businesses.

TVS Family to synchronise ownership structure in firms

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

VENU Srinivasan, TVS Motor Company chairman and MD, said on Thursday that the members of the TVS family have agreed to subscribe to the terms of a memorandum of family arrangement to align and synchronise the ownership of shares in various group companies.

"This arrangement shall not affect the management and functioning of the Company in any way, and we expect to continue business in ordinary course without impacting any of the stakeholders. Furthermore, the terms of the family arrangement do not envisage any royalty or brand usage payments from the operating businesses/ companies to the TVS Family members/ their holding companies," said Srinivasan in a regulatory filing.

He added that the senior members of the TVS family would deliberate to implement the family arrangement. At present, the various businesses/entities of the group have been traditionally managed by members of the different branches of the TVS family.

The present shareholders of the TVS holding companies primarily consist of the third and fourth generations of founder TV Sundaram Iyengar.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

Current Price ₹476

Target Price ₹625

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Business & Beyond

GMR gives smartphones to students

GMR Varalakshmi Foundation (GMRVF), the CSR arm of GMR Group, distributed smartphones to high school students to enable them to access online classes. GMRVF has been working for the economic development of the local community around GMR Kamalanga Energy Limited (GKEL) in Dhenkanal District. Procured with the contributions of different agencies working in the company and employees, the smartphones were distributed to 119 students of Kamalanga and Mangalpur Panchayat. The event was graced by Sudhir Kumar Samal, MLA, Sadar, Dhenkanal and attended by senior officials of GKEL.

IndianOil, DBT and LanzaTech join hands for a CO2 project

IndianOil and LanzaTech (USA) jointly hosted a virtual global meet on the theme "Circular Economy Vision - CO2 Valorization" to share details about the collaboration of two companies for a CO2 project and related vision of the future, where carbon turns to a sustainable opportunity. Tarun Kapoor, Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas; Renu Swarup, Secretary, Department of Biotechnology (DBT); S M Vaidya, Chairman, IndianOil, Jennifer Holmgren, CEO, LanzaTech and S S V Ramakumar, Director (R&D), IndianOil, attended this event.

Odisha govt hands over 13 mobile soil testing labs to Paradeep Phosphates

Paradeep Phosphates Ltd (PPL) has received another 13 Mobile Soil Testing Labs (MSTL) from the Odisha government. Previously, PPL was managing 17 Mobile Labs. With the new addition, the Mobile Soil Testing Facility will be available to farmers across the state. The new districts where the MSTL will be deployed include Nayagarh, Khordha, Balasore, Dhenkanal, Jagatsinghpur, Ganjam, Kalahandi, etc.

SBI Chennai circle donates medical equipment

Under its corporate social responsibility drive, the State Bank of India (SBI), Chennai circle has sponsored ₹11.75 lakh for Prosthesis (artificial limb, hand) and 50 Orthosis (Callipers) each to Mukti-M S Dadha foundation. The cheques were handed over to the managing trustees of the Trust by DMD J Swaminathan.

Indian Bank starts fourth batch of MSME programme in Tamil Nadu

Indian Bank has started its fourth batch of small entrepreneurship mentoring programme, christened MSME Prerana. The programme is for empowering entrepreneurs through skill development and capacity building workshops in the local languages.

V L Indira Dutt, chairperson and managing Director, KCP Limited e-inaugurated the programme in the presence of MD & CEO Padmaja Chunduru. The fourth batch commenced on December 7 and will continue till December 19.

'Banks need to reduce bad debt'

Speaking at the Canara Bank Officers Association meeting held at the main branch office in Dindigul, GV Manimaran, who is the state general secretary of All India Nationalised Bank Officers Association, said that due to increase in bad debts more and more banks are being privatised. However, Canara Bank's outstanding loan ratio is just 0.02 per cent, he added.

Rossi, who led Italy to 1982 World Cup, dies at 64

Paolo Rossi, who led Italy to 1982 World Cup title has died. He was 64. Rossi's wife, Federica Cappelletti, said Thursday he died in his sleep. State-run RAI, where Rossi worked after his playing career, said he had been diagnosed with an incurable illness.

Decision on fans next month

BCCI announces schedule for England series; Chennai, Ahmedabad and Pune to host matches

VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

EVEN though the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has announced the schedule for the England series, which will commence in Chennai from February 5, a decision on allowing fans in stadium will be taken only by January. It is understood that the board has informed the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) about the possibility of having fans in stadiums, but a clear picture will emerge only after a month. Keeping the pandemic in mind, BCCI has restricted venues to three — Chennai, Ahmedabad and Pune.

England that will head to Sri Lanka on January 2 for a two-Test series that was postponed after the pandemic struck in March, will arrive in Chennai on January 27 for their 60-day tour. Since they will be coming from a bubble, the visiting team will undergo three days of quarantine at a hotel and play the first Test at MA Chidambaram Stadium from February 5. The second Test will also take place in Chennai, from February 13, before the series moves to Ahmedabad, which will host the remaining two Test matches – including a day/night third Test.

The newly-constructed Sardar Patel stadium in Ahmedabad, which has not hosted any match so far, will also be the venue for the five-match T20 series, to be played in just nine days beginning March 12. Pune will complete the tour by hosting three ODIs from March 23 to 28. With IPL 2021 tentatively scheduled from April 3, the BCCI and ECB have been left with completing series in 60 days.

ITINERARY

1st Test	**Feb 5-9**	Chennai
2nd Test	**Feb 13-17**	Chennai
3rd Test (D/N)	**Feb 24-28**	Ahmedabad
4th Test	**March 4-8**	Ahmedabad

T20Is
March 12, 14, 16, 18, 20
Ahmedabad

ODIs
March 23, 26, 28, Pune

"Both boards have worked closely to put together an exciting series that promises to provide high octane action between two powerhouses of world cricket. This will be India's first bilateral series at home since the outbreak and the home season will bring back joy to fans," BCCI secretary Jay Shah said.

With regards to fans in stadium, the BCCI is awaiting clearance from the Centre. However, much of it would concern the respective state governments and also whether BCCI is able to convince ECB, which was averse to playing in India. In fact, ECB was pushing for the series to be played in the UAE. Tamil Nadu Cricket Association, for instance, is keen on allowing fans. If need be, it would seek permission from the state government. The Gujarat unit is also planning to request government to allow at least 40 per cent crowd. However, clarity on this is expected only after Dec 30.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Madrid the 'Real Deal'

Real Madrid showed why they are the bosses of the Champions League. Elsewhere, Neymar lit up the stage in Paris restart.

Benzema brace

French striker Karim Benzema once again produced the goods as Real belatedly came to the party to win Group B. They were staring at elimination, but came up with a disciplined performance to advance.

Results

- **Group A:** Bayern Munich 2-0 Lokomotiv Moscow, Salzburg 0-2 Atletico Madrid
- **Group B:** Inter Milan 0-0 Shakhtar, Real 2-0 Monchengladbach
- **Group C:** Olympiakos 0-2 Porto, Manchester City 3-0 Marseille
- **Group D:** Ajax 0-1 Atalanta, Midtjylland 1-1 Liverpool
- **Group H:** PSG 5-1 Istanbul Basaksehir

QUALIFIED SIDES **Seeded:** Bayern, Real, PSG, City, Liverpool, Chelsea, Dortmund, Juventus | **Unseeded:** Porto, Atletico, M'gladbach, Atalanta, Sevilla, Lazio, Barca, Leipzig

EXPRESS READ

World indoors in China postponed

MONACO: The track and field indoor world championships in China have been postponed for the second straight year. World Athletics on Thursday said the city of Nanjing, the intended host of 2020 meeting, now cannot host the next edition in March. "There is uncertainty about Covid-19 in the early part '21," the WA said.

10-man East Bengal hold Jamshedpur

VASCO: SC East Bengal held Jamshedpur FC for a goalless draw to secure their first point of the ISL at the Tilak Maidan Stadium. SCEB's Eugeneson Lyngdoh was given marching orders following a second yellow card but their defence stayed compact. Full story: newindianexpress.com

Shaw over Rahul for now

VENKATA KRISHNA B @ Chennai

EVEN though KL Rahul is in red-hot form in the limited-overs format, he might have to wait before making a comeback into the Test side. The opener, named in the Indian squad for the Border-Gavaskar Trophy, was expected to open the batting alongside state mate Mayank Agarwal in the first Test starting in Adelaide on December 17.

But Prithvi Shaw has emerged as the man to open the innings with Agarwal. Shaw, who played in the first practice match earlier this week, got out for 0 & 19. However, he continues to enjoy the backing of the team-management, and will walk out with Agarwal on Friday for the side's tour game with the pink-ball in Sydney.

Prithvi Shaw

With the first Test being a day/night affair, the Indians are keen on playing their regulars in the practice fixture. This means Virat Kohli, Mohammed Shami and Jasprit Bumrah could all play some part in the practice match against a strong Australia A squad which includes Joe Burns, Marcus Harris, James Pattinson, Moises Henriques and Test captain Tim Paine.

That Shaw is preferred over Rahul should come as a surprise especially if one goes by the current form. The 21-year-old wasn't among the runs for Delhi Capitals in the IPL and was dropped in favour of Ajinkya Rahane. But the team management believes his ability to score quickly could give them an advantage. Since making a comeback following a ban for doping, Shaw played the two Tests in New Zealand, where he even scored an impressive 54 on a challenging pitch at Christchurch.

Though he is an attacking player, his challenges against the short-ball could potentially cost him as was evident during the IPL. India believe they can always fall back on Rahul in case Shaw doesn't click.

With regards to the wicket-keepers slot, India have still not made up their mind whether to go with Rishabh Pant or Wriddhiman Saha.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Sharath shines in Mount Joy win

EXPRESS SERVICE NEWS @ Bengaluru

SHARATH Belur Ravi hit an impressive ton to help Mount Joy Cricket Club beat Vijaya Cricket Club (Malur) by 10 runs in the super league stage of the YSR memorial tournament. His 79-ball 106 played an integral role in Mount Joy managing 244/10. Vijaya CC were all out for 234 runs. In one of the other contests, Rohan Kadam scored a ton to help Bangalore United Cricket Club (1) beat Bangalore Occasionals by 108 runs.

Brief Scores (Selected): Mount Joy CC : 244/10 in 46.0 ovs [Sharath 106] **bt** Vijaya CC (Malur) : 234 /10 in 49.4 ovs by 10 runs.

Bangalore United Cricket Club (1) : 251/7 in 50.0 ovs [Rohan Kadam 104] **bt** Bangalore Occasionals : 143/10 in 42.5 ovs by 108 runs.

Jawans Cricket Club : 211/10 in 48.5 ovs [Nishith Raj 104, Raj Atul Gala 5/41] **lt** to Swastic Union Cricket Club(2) : 212/5 in 38.4 ovs [Sujay S S 105 n.o] by 5 wickets.

India will miss Ishant's experience: Smith

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

EVEN if the absences of Rohit Sharma (first two Tests at least) and Virat Kohli (last three) could be felt by the visitors, Steve Smith is of the opinion that Ishant Sharma's loss is going to be 'big'. During a zoom press conference early on Thursday, Smith was asked if the current Indian attack was the best ever. "It's a good attack, obviously," he responded. "They are experienced, particularly (Mohammed) Shami and (Jasprit) Bumrah. Ishant is probably a big loss for them at the start... he's played a lot of cricket. Without him, it may not be their strongest because I am sure they would like him to play, no doubt." The hosts' No 4 has a point. Sharma returned with cumulative figures of 11/262, with an average of 23.81 last time in Australia.

One batsman who wasn't around to face Bumrah, Shami et. al. during that series was, of course, Smith. Banned for a year by Cricket Australia after the sandpaper fiasco, Australia's No 4 opined it 'was difficult sitting on the sidelines'. "I watched in bits and pieces," he said. "... not being able to go out there and make a difference, that was the toughest thing for me knowing I probably could make a difference, if I was out there. That was hard, but it's an exciting series coming up." Smith's record against India is ridiculous. Out of the 10 Tests he has played against them, he has scored centuries in seven and has crossed 50 at least once in eight games. "I wouldn't put any more pressure on myself. I go out there and do my job."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

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Office of the Executive Engineer (Civil-III), Vyasi Project, Dakpathar, Dehradun invites sealed and separate tender from interested contractors/firms for the following work. Brief summary of work and detail of tender is given below:

Tender No : 10/EE(Civil-III)/VP/TN/2020-21
Name of work :- Construction of concrete road, Fencing, Drainage work of Lakhwar Road upto Intake & Provision of Guard Room, Entry Gate for Control room /Intake at Dam Site Juddo of Vyasi HEP (120 MW) in District Dehradun (Uttarakhand).
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For and on behalf of State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited, sealed tenders are invited under **"Two Cover System"** for the following work from **Class –I** State level Civil / Electrical Contractors registered in PWD/Highways/Any Department of Government of Tamilnadu, Central Government Department, Tamilnadu State Government undertaking having experience in similar nature of works. Tenders will be received upto 3.00 PM on **11.01.2021** and the same will be opened on the same day at 3.30 PM.

Name of Work	Approx. value of work	EMD
a)Providing paver block pavement, container arrangements for rest room, Security room and driver's staying room and street light facilities in the green parking yard at OSR area No.12/2 part at SIPCOT Industrial Park, Vallam Vadagal. b) Providing paver block and street light facilities in the green parking yard at OSR Nos.4,5,11 and 16 in SIPCOT Industrial Growth Centre, Oragadam.	Rs. 871.00 lakhs (including GST @12%)	Rs.4,50,000 /-*

* in the form of Demand Draft drawn in favour of SIPCOT Ltd., payable at Chennai. (In the Tenderer 's Name only)

The tender Schedule can be Downloaded at free of cost from the website: www.tenders.tn.gov.in

DIPR/4612/TENDER/2020 SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, SIPCOT, CHENNAI-8

MAHARASHTRA METRO RAIL CORPORATION LIMITED
(A joint venture of Govt. of India & Govt. of Maharashtra)
NAGPUR METRO "Metro Bhawan", VIP Road, Near Dikshabhoomi, Ramdaspeth, Nagpur-440010. PUNE METRO
Telefax: 0712-2812300, Website:www.mahametro.org

ADVT NO: MAHA-Metro/HR/04/2020 Date: 11th December, 2020

Requirement of experienced employees from Metro Rail / Railway / Railway PSU's on Contract / Deputation basis for the period of five years for Civil - Safety & Track Department of Maharashtra Metro Rail Corporation Limited for Nagpur Metro Rail Project.

Sr. No.	Post Name (Post Code)	No. of Vacancy	Pay-Scale(IDA) in ₹
1.	Manager (Safety) – E2 (For Nagpur Metro Rail Project)	01 (UR-01)	60,000 - 1,80,000/-
2.	Senior Section Engineer (Track)- S4 (For Nagpur Metro Rail Project)	01 (UR-01)	46,000 - 1,45,000/-

Important : (1) Eligibility qualification/experience, maximum age limit, details of how to apply etc. for the above advertised posts are available on MAHA-Metro **website-www.mahametro.org/career. (2)** The complete filled application form should reach General Manager(HR) at this office latest by **31.12.2020.**

General Manager(HR), MAHA-METRO

TAMIL NADU ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
(Government of Tamilnadu Undertaking)
4th Floor, LLA Building, No.735 Anna Salai, Chennai-02.
Email: edir.tnridc@tn.gov.in Phone No:28520000.

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Consultancy Services for Monitoring the Resettlement Action Plan Implementation of Chennai Peripheral Ring Road Section II & III

EOI Notice No.11/CPRR/ADE/MRAP I/2020-2021, dated: 09.12.2020

The Executive Director invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from the qualified experienced consulting firms with all supporting documents substantiating qualification to perform the service experience in similar assessments for **"Consultancy Services for Monitoring the Resettlement Action Plan Implementation of Chennai Peripheral Ring Road Section II & III"** so as to reach the office of Executive Director, TNRIDC, Chennai not later than **4.00 p.m. (office clock) on 11.01.2021.**

The full text of Request for Expression of Interest can be seen at **www.ckicp.tnhighways.gov.in**

Place: Chennai
Date: 09.12.2020 DIPR/1217/DIS/2020
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TNRIDC.

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ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 0836-2741277, 0836-2748374
E-mail ID: dsdharwad@gmail.com

DHFWS/2020-21 / IND/4457 Date: 09-12-2020

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ವಿಷಯ : 2020-21 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗಾಗಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ ಔಷಧ ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರೇ ಅವಶ್ಯಕ ಸಾಮಗ್ರಿಗಳನ್ನು (Consumables) ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮಾಡುವ ಕುರಿತು

ಮೇಲ್ಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ವಿಷಯ ಕುರಿತಂತೆ **2020-21** ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗಾಗಿ ಧಾರವಾಡ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ ಕೋವಿಡ್-19 ರೋಗಿಗಳ ಚಿಕಿತ್ಸೆಗಾಗಿ ಅವಶ್ಯಕತೆಯಿರುವ ಔಷಧ ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರೇ ಅವಶ್ಯಕ ಸಾಮಗ್ರಿಗಳನ್ನು **(Consumables)** ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮಾಡಲು ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತ ಔಷಧ ತಯಾರಕರಿಂದ, ಅಧಿಕೃತ ಮಾರಾಟಗಾರರಿಂದ ಹಾಗೂ ಔಷಧ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳಿಂದ ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮರು ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳ ಟೆಂಡರದಾರರು ಟೆಂಡರ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ **10-12-2020** ರಿಂದ ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ದಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಟೆಂಡರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ **30-12-2020** ರಂದು ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ **4:00** ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ.

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ವಿಷಯ : ಧಾರವಾಡ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ **2020-21** ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗಾಗಿ ವೈದ್ಯೇತರ **(Non-Clinical)** ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಲು ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯುರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸುವ ಕುರಿತು.

ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ : ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆದೇಶ ಸಂ: ಆಕುಕ **368**/ಸಿಜಿಎಂ **304**/ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು/ ದಿ : **29-08-2004**

ಧಾರವಾಡ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ **2020-21** ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗಾಗಿ ವೈದ್ಯೇತರ **(Non-Clinical)** ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವ ಸಲುವಾಗಿ ಟೆಂಡರ (ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯುರಮೆಂಟ್) ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ಆಸಕ್ತ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ದಾರರು ನಿಗಧಿತ ದಿನಾಂಕದೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲನ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ ಅರ್ಜಿಯನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ದಿನಾಂಕ : **10-12-2020** ರಿಂದ ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯುರಮೆಂಟ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ದಲ್ಲಿ ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಗದಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ಶುಲ್ಕದೊಂದಿಗೆ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರ್ಮಗಳನ್ನು ದಿ : **10-12-2020** ರಿಂದ ದಿ : **30-12-2020** ರ ವರೆಗೆ ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ **4:30** ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಬಹುದು. ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಿದ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ : **01-01-2021** ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ **11.00** ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ದಿ : **04-01-2021** ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ **11.00** ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಧಾರವಾಡ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯದಿಂದ ಕೆಲಸದ ದಿನಗಳಂದು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

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TENDER FOR PRODUCTION AND SUPPLY OF POLYESTER BASED HOLOGRAM EXCISE LABELS

TENDER NO. 1/2020 CORRIGENDUM NO. 5 TO THE TENDER

CORRIGENDUM ISSUED - TO THE NOTICE INVITING TENDERS PUBLISHED IN "THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS" ENGLISH DAILY AND "THE DAILY THANTHI" TAMIL DAILY DATED 30.09.2020 AND CORRIGENDUM NO.1 PUBLISHED ON 29.10.2020, CORRIGENDUM 2 & 3 PUBLISHED ON 06.11.2020, CORRIGENDUM 4 PUBLISHED ON 27.11.2020 AND UPLOADED IN GOVERNMENT WEBSITE **www.tenders.tn.gov.in**

THE LAST DATE FOR THE RECEIPT OF TENDER FOR THE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLY OF POLYESTER BASED HOLOGRAM EXCISE LABELS IS EXTENDED UPTO **02.30 P.M. ON 24.12.2020.**

THE TENDER APPLICATION WILL BE OPENED ON **24.12.2020 AT 03.30 P.M.**

AMENDMENTS ARE MADE TO THE CLAUSES / CONDITIONS OF THE TENDER DOCUMENT.

THE CORRIGENDUM NO. 5 HAS BEEN UPLOADED IN GOVERNMENT WEBSITE www.tenders.tn.gov.in

PLACE: CHENNAI
DATE: 10.12.2020 DIPR/4613/Tender/2020

Joint Commissioner - II /
O/o the Commissioner, Prohibition and Excise and
Tender Inviting Authority.

OFFICE OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BASAVAKALYAN
DIST: BIDAR
Website: www.basavakalyantown.gov.in, Email: itstaff_ulb_basavakalyan@yahoo.com

No. CMC/BSK/Tender/Goods/14th Fin/CR-11/2020-21 Date: 09.12.2020

SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION(E-PROCUREMENT)

1) Works/Goods/Services Details : Indent DMA/2019-20/IND10312call2. "Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Screening machine with 35mm, 16mm and 4mm to Basavakalyana.". 2) Works/Goods/Services Details Amount : Rs. 95.00 lakhs. 3) Contractor Eligibility Details : As per e-portal. 4) Works/Goods/Services put to Tender Amount : As per e-portal. 5) Last Date for Receipt of Tender Application : 18.12.2020 4.30 PM. 6) Tender Rate and EMD Details : As per e-portal. 7) Last Date for uploading for completed tender document : 18.12.2020 4.30 PM. 8) Date of Opening of tender :19.12.2020 5.00 PM. 9) Tender condition and further information can be obtained from the said office : 08481 250201. 10) Web Site : www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Municipal Commissioner
CMC, Basavakalyan

DIP/Bidar/213/MC&A/2020-21

TAMILNADU WATER SUPPLY AND DRAINAGE BOARD
INVITATION OF BIDS–TWO COVER–ITEMWAR TENDER SYSTEM
(E-Submission)

IFB No.	26/F.JJM/Modakurichi Package-1 to 3/SDO(T3)/CE/CBE/2020/Dated : 09.12.2020
Fund	JJM Fund 2020-2021
Eligibility	Registered Class I Contractors.
Tender Invitee	The Chief Engineer, TWAD Board, No.30, Siruvani Nagar, Bharathi park Road, Coimbatore-641 043.
Sale of Bid	**11.12.2020 to 08.01.2021 upto 17.45 hrs.**
Available website	E-Tendering website **www.tntenders.gov.in.**
Pre Bid meeting	**31.12.2020** at **11.00** hours at the office of the Tender Invitee
Bid Submission	**11.01.2021** before **15.00** hours at the office of the Tender Invitee. Digitally signed encrypted Tenders through E-Tendering website **www.tntenders.gov.in**
Bid opening	**12.01.2021** at **15.30** hours at the office of the Tender Invitee through E-Tendering website

Sl. No.	Name of work	Approximate value of work (Rs. in Crore including GST)	Bid security (Rs.in lakhs)
	Jal Jeevan Mission for 2020-2021 : CWSS to 442 Habitations in Modakurichi Union in Erode District (Period of completion : 18 months, Trial Run : 6 months and Paid maintenance : 12 months)		
1	**Package-1**	65.45	49.15
2	**Package-2**	60.60	45.50
3	**Package-3**	67.75	50.90

DIPR/ 4616 /TENDER/2020
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Chief Engineer (i/c),
TWAD Board, Coimbatore.

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

Invites application for the post of Director (Finance) in Odisha Power Generation Corporation Limited (OPGC).

e-6: The Odisha Power Generation Corporation Limited (OPGC), is a thermal power generating company with state of art technology with generating capacity of 2X210MW power plants in the 1st phase and 2X660MW power plants in the 2nd phase at Ib thermal power Station, Banharpali, Jharsuguda district.

The Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) is seeking qualified candidates for the post ofDirector, (Finance), Odisha Power Generation Corporation Limited (OPGC) in its corporate office located at Bhubaneswar in the Scale of Pay of Rs.1,35,100-2,16,800/- (level-17 of the Pay Matrix under the ORSP rules, 2017). The post carries DA, HRA, Medical allowance and perks as per Rules of the Corporation.

The Pay protection will be allowed to the deserving officers from the Central or State Governments/CPSEs/State PSUs or any other Government Organization. The position is at the Board Level and the incumbent shall report to the Chairman, Board of Directors, Government of Odisha.

Detailed requirement for the position along with the application format is available in the Public Enterprises Department, Government of Odisha website: **http://pe.odisha.gov.in**

Complete application in the prescribed format with enclosures and a passport size photograph should be sent to the Principal Secretary to Govt., Department of Public Enterprises, Odisha, Bhubaneswar-751001 by Speed post/Registered Post/e-mail **(e-mail id: dpesec.or@nic.in)** only to reach within 30 days from the date of publication of Advertisement. Envelope containing the application should be super-scribed as **"Application for the post of Director, (Finance), Odisha Power Generation Corporation Limited (OPGC)."** Out station candidates appearing the interview will be provided Economy Class Air fare for to & fro journey on submission of original documents.

The undersigned reserves the right to accept/reject any or all of the applications at any stages of selection without assigning any reason thereof.

Principal Secretary to Govt.
Public Enterprises Department, Odisha Secretariat,
Bhubaneswar-751001, e-mail id: dpesec.or@nic.in
OIPR 22001/11/0006/2021

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China on Thursday morning successfully launched two satellites for the detection of gravitational waves into planned orbit from the Xichang Satellite Launch Centre in Sichuan Province. The GECAM satellites will be used to monitor high-energy celestial phenomena such as gravitational wave.

Extreme climate events in 75% of India possible

Over 638 million people are living in hotspots of cyclones, floods and droughts

STUDY

NEW DELHI: Over 75 per cent of Indian districts, which are home to more than 638 million people, are hotspots of extreme climate events such as cyclones, floods, droughts, and cold waves, according to a study released Thursday.

The study by the Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW) said that the frequency, intensity, and unpredictability of these extreme events have also risen in recent decades. While the country witnessed 250 extreme climate events between 1970 and 2005, it recorded 310 extreme weather events post 2005 alone.

The study also found a shift in the pattern of extreme climate events such as flood-prone areas becoming drought-prone and vice-versa in over 40 per cent of Indian districts.

Abinash Mohanty, programme lead at CEEW and the author of the study, said, "The current trend of catastrophic climate events results from a mere 0.6 degree Celsius temperature rise in the last 100 years. India is already the fifth most vulnerable country globally in terms of extreme climate events and it is all set to become the world's flood capital."

In the last 50 years, the frequency of flood events increased almost eight times. Further, events associated with floods such as landslides, heavy rainfall, hailstorms, thunderstorms, and cloudbursts increased by over 20 times. The frequency of floods surged significantly in the last two decades.

Post 2005, India witnessed 310 extreme climate events

Between 1970 and 2004, three extreme flood events occurred per year on an average. However, after 2005, the yearly average rose to 11. Also, the yearly average for districts affected until 2005 was 19, but after 2005, it jumped to 55. In 2019, India witnessed 16 extreme flood events, which affected 151 districts.

The study also found that over 97 million people were currently being exposed to extreme floods in India. After 2000, there has also been a rise in urban floods due to flawed urban planning, encroachments on wetlands, and deforestation. *ENS*

HOW IT WORKS

The systems, APH and Veggie, use red, blue, green and broad-spectrum white LED lights to grow plants inside a sealed chamber. Sophisticated control systems deliver water, while control cameras and more than 180 sensors in the chamber allow researchers at NASA's Kennedy Space Center to monitor the plant growth as well as regulate moisture levels, temperature, and carbon dioxide concentration

FIRST SUCH EXPERIMENT

The plant experiment is part of a larger project set to help space heroes grow their own food on the moon and one day Mars. The experiment, called Plant Habitat-02 (PH-02), is the first time astronauts in the International Space Station (ISS) has grown radishes. Other projects produced leafy greens such as mustard greens and red lettuce

HARVEST TIME

Radishes have been growing under nearly identical conditions in the ISSES since November 17, and researchers will harvest the control crop on December 15 for comparison with the radishes grown on station

PHOTO CREDIT: NASA

WHAT IS APH

The APH, about the size of mini fridge, helps astronauts identify what plants can be grown successfully in space and in turn provide food for astronauts while in space

AIM OF THE STUDY

Growing a range of crops will help the astronauts determine which plants thrive in microgravity and offer the best variety and nutritional balance for them on long-duration missions

EXFILE • SPACE

SPACE HARVEST

Astronauts aboard the International Space Station have added a new item to the dinner menu – radishes. In a first, they are growing the root vegetable and placing them in cold storage after harvest for the return trip to Earth in 2021. A look

WHY THE BUZZ

NASA astronauts recently harvested fresh radish plants from the station's Advanced Plant Habitat (APH) and Vegetable Production System (Veggie), which use LED lights to stimulate plant growth. Kate Rubins pulled 20 of the root vegetables from the system

Radishes are a different kind of crop compared to leafy greens that astronauts previously grew on the space station, or dwarf wheat which was the first crop grown in the APH

Nicole Dufour, NASA APH program manager at Kennedy Space Center

WHY RADISHES?

Radishes were chosen due to their swift ability to mature in just 27 days, making them ideal as a sustainable source of food for hungry astronauts

In addition to their speedy cultivation period, the root vegetables also require little maintenance from the crew as they grow

Radishes are also great specimens for research purposes. Their "sensitive bulb formations" can be used to analyse CO2 effects and mineral acquisition and distribution

DID YOU KNOW

- Radishes aren't the first items to be produced aboard the ISS

2014-16

- Between 2014 and 2016, astronauts harvested red and green romaine lettuce, Chinese cabbage, mustard and Russian kale

2019

- In 2019, an Israeli food company, a Russian 3D bioprinting organisation and US companies worked together to produce real beef steaks in space. The experiment used cells and replicated a cow's muscle tissue regeneration process

Mask a must even after vaccination

HEALTH

WASHINGTON: Can I stop wearing a mask after getting a Covid-19 vaccine? No. For a couple reasons, masks and social distancing will still be recommended for some time after people are vaccinated. To start, the first Covid vaccines require two shots; Pfizer's second dose comes three weeks after the first and Moderna's comes after four weeks. And the effect of vaccinations generally aren't immediate.

People are expected to get some level of protection within a couple of weeks after the first shot. But full protection may not happen until a couple weeks after the second shot. It's not yet known whether the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines protect people from infection entirely. That means vaccinated people might still be able to get infected and pass the virus on, said Deborah Fuller, a vaccine expert at the University of Washington.

Masks and social distancing are recommended even after people are vaccinated for coronavirus

FACT OF THE MATTER

SPACEX ROCKET BLASTS OFF

SpaceX rocket Starship — which the company hopes will become its go-to for Mars missions — crashed in a fiery explosion during a test launch along the Texas coast Wednesday. But the company line was upbeat as a livestream of the launch displayed the on-screen message "AWESOME TEST. CONGRATS STARSHIP TEAM!"

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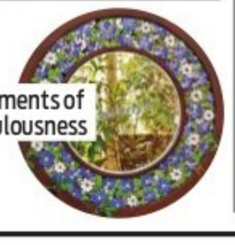

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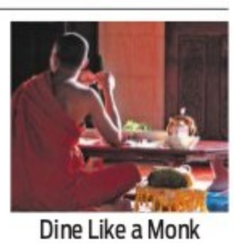

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